



# Reception News

## 13<sup>th</sup> February 2025



### What we've been learning recently

**Literacy** – Over the past two weeks, we have read a number of texts including The Polar Bear and The Snow Cloud, Poles Apart and non-fiction texts about Arctic and Antarctic animals. In writing, children have been continuing to practice how to segment and to apply their understanding of Level 3 sounds.

**Maths** – The children have explored the numbers 7 and 8 and they have been working hard on learning how to form these numbers. The children have used numicon and part-part-whole models to find all the ways they can make 7 and 8.

**Wider Curriculum** – Last Thursday, we visited the Eden Project. The children had the most amazing time. They were wonderfully behaved and we were so proud of them. Thank you again to all the parent helpers that accompanied us. In Week 5, we had fun exploring the question 'What is ice?' The children enjoyed painting with frozen paints and trying to help free penguins trapped in ice. This week, we have been learning more about polar animals, their habitats and their adaptations. We have now finished our cookery sessions with Mrs Smith – a big thank you to her. The children absolutely loved cooking in school.

### Next Half Term we will be...

- Basing our learning around traditional fairytales including: The Gingerbread Man, Three Billy Goats Gruff, The Enormous Turnip and Goldilocks and the Three Bears.
- Learning about historical figures.
- Beginning to order pictures in chronological order.
- Learning the Easter Story.

### Important Notices

**Parent Teacher Consultations** – If you haven't already, please book an appointment on Arbor for Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> or Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February.

**PE Kits** – We will be sending home PE kits before half term so that these can be washed and returned into school on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February.

**Reception Stay and Learn** – Will be taking place on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March from 08:45 – 09:45.

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### Shining Stars

Congratulations to our Shining Stars from the last two weeks for demonstrating our school values.

**RB** – Blake, India, Albert, Oscar

**RW** – Reuben, Summer, Harry, Lily