



11 November 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Reception Weekly Information – w/b 11.11.24

Parent/ Carer Teacher Consultations (PCTCs)

Thursday 14.11.24 for families who have booked. Please do not bring any children along to these.

Show and Tell

Starting this week! **Orange** group will have their turn first on Friday 15.11.24. See details below.

Reading Packs

Please make sure your child's reading pack is in their book bag. Books are changed on Fridays.

As the children have settled into the routines of Reception, we have been encouraging each child to have a growth mindset. People with a growth mindset, rather than a fixed mindset, see that they can achieve and overcome challenges through persistence and resilience. When we hear children saying "I can't do it." we talk to them about the fact that they can't do it YET, but that they will be able to soon if they have a try and keep practising.

It has been wonderful to see lots of proud children who have already discovered this to be true - be it in learning to put on their school uniform independently; or recognising their name on sight; or riding the big bikes; or using a new toy or game; or remembering the morning routines for themselves. By developing a growth mindset they develop a valuable skill for future success. You can hear more about it in this interesting short talk by Carol Dweck:

https://www.ted.com/talks/carol_dweck_the_power_of_believing_that_you_can_improve/discussion

Learning Question of the week: Why do people wear poppies?

This week we think about why people are wearing poppies and what it means to people. We will watch a short video with the question: 'What is Remembrance Sunday?' The children will create some poppy themed art work. We will also think about the seasons this week and focus on autumn. We will encourage the children to notice and talk about the signs of the season changes they see in the outside environment. Maybe you could go on an autumn walk this week and collect or take photos of the signs of autumn?

From our Early Years curriculum, the skills and learning the children will focus on are:

- Blend sounds into words orally.
- Give names to feelings – recognise and begin to manage my own feelings.
- Write their name independently.
- Manipulate small objects that need use of one hand, or a pinching motion (beads/sequins/stickers etc)
- Subitise confidently to 5 in a range of contexts.
- Choose colours carefully when drawing or painting
- Use talk to work out problems or organise activities with others.
- Use a pedal vehicle that doesn't require balance eg bike with stabilisers/trike etc

- Observe and talk about seasonal changes and record these ideas.

Phonics

When you receive your child's reading pack, please use the phrase that we use in school:

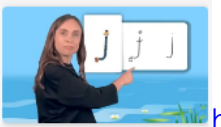
'Fred Talk- read the word.'

Your child will be familiar with this phrase and it will help them to feel confident with using their sounds independently. We have now introduced all of the single-letter sounds. If your child is not confident with all of these, please continue to practice daily.

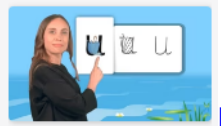
Have a go at these ones that are sometimes tricky to remember:



<http://tiny.cc/z9auzz>



<http://tiny.cc/gaauzz>



<http://tiny.cc/uaauzz>

They can continue practicing blending sounds to make words by playing this 'Fred Game' <http://tiny.cc/9bauzz>

Reading

Some words we learn to read are called '**red**' words. These are words that are not decodable using our usual 'Fred Talk' method. We need to learn these by sight. We will be introducing new 'red' words each week and will put a sticker in your child's Learning Journal to let you know what they are. Please practise recognising these words at home. They are words that you will often see in books.

This week's red words is:

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Concept Word

This week's concept word is: **Smooth**



Help at home: look around the house for as many smooth things as you can find

Maths

In maths we will be focusing on the number **8**. Understanding of numbers is much deeper than just being about to say the numbers in order and recognise the digits. We think about the places that we see each number and look for it in the environment. Can you count out 8 objects and see the different 'parts' that you can split the whole into?

Can you spot it?

Part-Part-Whole:

8		
2	2	4

Part-Part-Whole:

Show and Tell: Families

Show and Tell is on Friday 15 November for the **Orange** group from each class and the theme is 'family.' Show and tell is an opportunity for each child to share something special with their class practicing their speaking skills. The rest of the class practise their listening skills and have the chance to ask questions too.

Theme: Family

Your child might want to share a picture or drawing of their family to talk about. Photos can be emailed to parents@stamford-green.surrey.sch.uk and should be labelled with your child's name and class in the in the subject bar. Please could we ask that children don't bring in anything precious/irreplaceable. The other groups will have their turns to show and tell as the term goes on – so only the named group should bring their show and tell next week.

We hope you have a lovely week,

Mrs Ball, Miss Poole and Mrs Price



For your calendar:

Second Hand Uniform

We are still looking for volunteers to come into school this evening, Monday 11 November (7.00pm - 9.00pm) to help sort the uniform and take a bag home to wash. We will then be able to store this at school ready for the next sale.

If you can help us please just turn up this evening. Thank you.

Odd Socks Tuesday 12.11.24

YR – Y6 Wear odd socks (with your uniform) to school day – Anti Bullying Week initiative



Coming up soon:

November		
Monday 11.11.24	Late return to school	Y6 Visit Tate Britain and Houses of Parliament
Monday 11.11.24	Before school and after school	Second hand uniform donations day
Monday 11.11.24	7.00pm – 9.00pm	PTA Volunteers to sort second hand uniform
Tuesday 12.11.24	All day	YR – Y6 Wear odd socks (with your uniform) to school day – Anti Bullying Week initiative
Tuesday 12.11.24	am	Y5 Space Dome experience at school
Tuesday 12.11.24	Morning	1S to visit Epsom
Wednesday 13.11.24	8.45am – 9.45am	PTA Class Reps Coffee Morning with Mrs Druce – Agenda: Events Debrief and Christmas
Wednesday 13.11.24	All day	Y3 Stone Age Workshop
Wednesday 13.11.24	Morning	1BH to visit Epsom
Thursday 14.11.24	3.30pm – 6.30pm	Parent/Carer and Teacher Consultations (PCTC) at school

Friday 15.11.24	Morning	1H visit to Epsom
w/b Monday 18.11.24	-	Internal clubs start
Monday 18.11.24	All day	Y2 Visit to the park and Baitul Futuh Mosque
Tuesday 19.11.24	All day	Community Prefects non uniform day for all to support https://toilettwinning.org/
Thursday 21.11.24	8.30am – West Gate	PTA Second hand uniform sale
Thursday 21.11.24	Morning	YR visit to Christ Church
Thursday 21.11.24	Evening	Y5 Star Gazing
Friday 22.11.24	-	PTA non uniform day (Please bring in a chocolate bar for the Christmas Fair tombola)

Reminders for you:

YN – Y6 Parent/Carer and Teacher Consultations (PCTC) at school

Please can we kindly remind you that if you are attending a PCTC at school, children cannot accompany you to the meeting.

Tuesday 19.11.24

Community Prefects non uniform day for all to support <https://toilettwinning.org/>

Suggested £1.00 cash donation on the gate.

Friday 22.11.24

PTA non uniform day (Please bring in a chocolate bar for the Christmas Fair tombola).

Please remember we are not free school.

Christmas PTA Reminders:

Volunteer Opportunity

Father Christmas job share for Christmas Fair



Thank you, this role has been filled.

Volunteer Opportunities

Could you do one of these one off jobs around your other commitments please?

Set up of lights and inflatables
Raffle
Café area set up on the Christmas Fair Day



Donations

Friday 22 November 2024

Non uniform day – please bring in a chocolate bar for the Christmas Fair tombola.