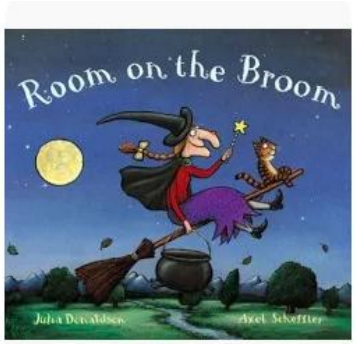
In Literacy we will explore…

This half term the children in Reception will be looking at the topic 'From Dark to Light'. We will start this term by discussing Bonfire Night. We are looking forward to learning all about Diwali (the Hindu festival of lights) and we have planned to make beautiful Mehndi patterns and Diya lamps. We will continue to explore different media and materials in our Creative Area to make our own beautiful firework display! We will read 'Funnybones' and work on our initial sounds and oracy skills. We will also be reading the story 'Room on the Broom' and focusing on the rhyming words in the story. We will be identifying rhyming words and finding rhyming pairs. We will also read the story 'Stickman' by Julia Donaldson and use our phonic skills to label and write about the characters in the story.





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Reception Newsletter Autumn Term 2 2026

Welcome back! We hope you all enjoyed a wonderful half term and everybody is feeling well rested and excited for the busy term ahead in the lead up to Christmas!
Thank you for your continued support,
Ms Ezinwa, Mrs Dibb, Mrs Mclaughlin, Ms Nye, Ms Lau
Mrs Recio, Ms Le

How can you help at home?

- Please continue to encourage your child to practise writing their name in their black mark- making book. Remind your child to use the correct letter formation beginning from the top of each letter and to hold their pencil correctly.
- Please continue to encourage your child to complete their home learning as this will help support consolidate their phonic knowledge and letter formation.
- When reading at home, remind children to sound out and blend unfamiliar words using their phonics. Also, ask them questions to support their understanding. For example, what do you think the book is about? What will happen next? How do you think … is feeling? How else could the story end?
- Practise writing numbers to 10 the correct way round.
- We would be very grateful if you could donate £1 for our consumables that resource our messy and malleable play. Please give this to a member of the EYFS team.

Important Dates

Tues 10th – Fri 13th Nov – Maths Café

Tues 10th Nov – Maths Information Evening – **6.30pm**
Thurs 12th Nov – FOR Movie Night
Fri 4th Dec – Own Clothes Day (FOR) – Christmas Fayre tombola donations
Sat 5th Dec – Christmas Fayre **11am – 3pm**
Friday 11th – KS2 Christmas performance
Mon 14th – EYFS/KS1 Nativity – 1.30pm
Tues 15th – EYFS/KS1 Nativity – 9.30am
Weds 16th - EYFS/KS1 Nativity – 9.30am
Thurs 17th – Christmas Parties
Fri 18th – Christmas Lunch and break up for Christmas

Christmas Holidays –
21st December – Tuesday 5th January
(Monday 4th January – INSET)

In Maths we will be…

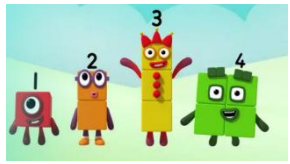
Learning about circles and triangles. The children will learn that some shapes have curved sides and others have straight sides. We will recognise shapes in and outside of the classroom and make patterns and prints using different shapes. We will use positional language to describe where things are located. We will continue with our number of the week and counting forwards and backwards to 10.

Useful websites

www.phonicsplay.co.uk

https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/shows/alphablocks

https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/shows/numberblocks



In Phonics we will be…

In our phonics session we will continue teaching how to read and write the Phase 2 letters and sounds, including the CEW words: I, and, to, the, a. Please continue your hard work, reading regularly, playing phonics games and practising he sounds the children have already learned (s, a, t, p, i, n,m,d,g,o,c,k,h,b,f,ff,ll,ss). The children will be introduced to phase 3 sounds and new CEW's.

Reminders

As the weather is getting colder, please ensure that your child has an appropriate coat/jacket to wear outdoors and all clothing are labelled.

Reception Key Information

PE takes place every week (on a Monday and Wednesday) and children will need to ensure they have a full kit this includes navy shorts/ jogging bottoms/ leggings, navy t -shirt and trainers that are all labelled.

Outdoor Learning will take place once a week for both Reception classes (Monkeys on Tuesday, Lions on Thursday). Children will need to come in to school dressed in their PE clothes for their allocated session. Please ensure children bring in their named waterproof suit/jacket/ trousers and wellies all labelled in a bag. This will be kept in school unless we need to send it home to be washed.

Books are changed once a week. Please make sure your child brings in their reading journal and books every day so it is ready to be changed.

