

Reception News

Spring 1 Week 7 – 20th February 2026

What have we been learning?

- ◆ This week we have been continuing with our Little Wandle Phonics assessments, so we have been practising reading & writing words independently which contain our digraphs and trigraphs. We have been working so hard & our teachers are so proud of us!
- ◆ We have been thinking about the **10ness of 10** in our maths sessions. We have looked at different groups of 10 objects & also the different ways that 10 can be represented. We also ordered the numbers from 0-10.
- ◆ We have been learning all about the **Lunar New Year** festival this week. We listened to the story of how twelve animals had a race to see which order the years would be named after them. We showed that we were good at remembering the story because we each wrote a sentence about it afterwards. We have also made Lunar New Year cards, coloured in Chinese dragons, decorated Chinese flags & made the symbol for the 'Year of the Horse' in Chinese writing out of playdough - the last one was lots of fun but quite tricky!

Lunar New Year activities

Homework

Literacy

- Ask your child to read the simple sentences & make the adjustments to the pictures, depending on what each sentence has said. Hopefully they should be able to do this fairly independently.
- Sounds - Please keep revising all of the sounds using the little purple sound books.
- Reading books and sight words ("tricky words") - *a new set of words has been sent home this week.*

Maths

- **I Spy number 10** - can your child find & draw a circle around all the different ways of representing number 10?

A point to note...

We have now reached the end of the new sounds which your child will be learning whilst they are in Reception. So, from this week onwards, we will be recapping the trickier digraphs (2 letters making 1 sound) and trigraphs (3 letters making 1 sound) within our daily Phonics sessions to ensure that the children can use them independently in their reading and their writing. As such, your support with continuing to use their purple Sound Book at home in order to ensure that your child is able to recognise all of our taught sounds is very much appreciated.

A big thank you from us...

It was lovely to be able to speak with you all at our drop in Parents' Evenings this week and to be able to tell you all about how your child is managing with their learning whilst they are in school with us. Thank you so much for making the time to drop in and speak to us.

Happy half-term!