

# Reception News

Autumn 1 Week 4 - 25th September 2026

## What have we been learning?

- ◆ This week we have been learning the sounds **i**, **n**, **m** & **d** along with learning the mnemonics to accompany each of them. We have had so much fun!! We have very much enjoyed thinking of different words which start with each sound. We tasted **n**achos when we were learning about **n**, ate **m**elon for **m** and **d**igestive biscuits for **d** - they were all very popular! (*It was hard to find any food that starts with the short i sound, so we just had house points then instead*).
- ◆ We have been learning a story and a song about "**Tommy Two**" and learning how to write 2, using the rhyme "Hands round to knees then straight across please" to help us. It was a bit tricky!
- ◆ We have also been learning about our sense of **touch**. There have been different items for us to touch on the Creative Table each day and we have loved diving straight in with our hands!

## Our wonderful sense of touch!

"Tickly" feathers!

"Soft" cotton wool!

We even used our sense of touch in PE!

**A little plea...**Now that the weather has turned somewhat wetter, the children are starting to need to put their coats on for being in our Outside Area & during lunchtimes at school. Please can we ask that you support your child so that they can do this *independently*. We seem to have a lot of children who keep putting coats on upside down, or who aren't able to turn their sleeves the right way round. Obviously we will help anyone who is struggling but it would be a huge help if you could allow your child to practise putting on & taking off their coat at home, thank you.

## Homework

### Maths

- Look around the house for different numbers. *How many different numbers can you find? Where are they? Can you read the numbers that you find?* You could take a photo and stick it into your yellow book - we'd love to see which numbers you can find!
- Practise forming Tommy Two in the yellow "Between Us" book. You can also watch the video about **Tommy Two**, listen to the song & play some games about this number on the Ten Town Website.

### Literacy

- Help your child to look carefully at the pictures in their new reading book and encourage them to tell you what's happening. Encourage them to create their own story. *Please make a comment about your child's reading every week to let us know how they managed at home with you.*
- Continue to practise recognising the character names by sight to reinforce the names of characters & ask your child to identify them in their reading book.
- Recap on the sounds **i**, **n**, **m** & **d**. *Can the children identify them in their purple "Sound Book"? Can they think of any words which begin with those sounds?*

Thank you for your support.