

Dear Parents/ Carers,

We hope you had a fantastic half-term holiday and are looking forward to embarking on an exciting new half-term.

'6 weeks in meeting'

It was great to see so many of you at the '6 weeks in' coffee morning. Thank you to those of you who came to hear about learning in Reception and share any of your thoughts and opinions. It is important to us that we keep hearing from you and we will work hard to respond to any comments made. If you have any further questions please don't hesitate to ask, we are always available. Some of you mentioned that you would like a copy of the presentation so feel free to ask your class teacher and we will supply that for you.

Book Looks

We would also like to invite you into school for a book look. This is an opportunity for you to look at what your children have been learning at school and share their lovely special books with them. This will take place during the afternoon and you will be able to take your child home with you afterwards.

RMP Book Look	Wednesday 7 th November at 2.30pm
REB Book Look	Thursday 8 th November at 2.30pm

Topic

For the second part of the Autumn term we will be continuing with our topic '*Magical, Marvellous Me*' but with a little twist - calling it '*Magical Marvellous Me and the World Around Me*'. We will be focussing on our immediate environment, what we can find in our local communities, similarities and differences and staying healthy.

We have also taken the opportunity to celebrate Halloween and Firework Night and are looking forward to teaching the children about Christmas. We are always looking for exciting new ways to make sure everyone feels a part of this special time so if any parents of different religions would like to come in and share with the children how they celebrate Christmas, or any other festival at this time of year, please discuss this with your child's teacher.

Wow Moments

At the '6 Weeks In' coffee morning we introduced Wow Moments. This is our way of hearing a little bit more about what your child gets up to outside of school. After all, nobody knows your child the way you do, and we know that the children do a lot of amazing things! A Wow Moment could be anything: a comment about a family trip, a quote regarding an observation your child has made or the first time your child has achieved something. All you have to do is take one of the Wow Moment slips from outside of the classrooms and write a brief comment. You can attach a photo or even something your child has made. Then hand it back to your teacher and your child will be able to share this moment with their friends in class. We will then display this in the classroom. We hope that you will enjoy doing this and hope to see lots of lovely Wow Moments in class. If you are unsure about this please feel free to ask us any questions you might have.

Forest School

We will be getting the opportunity to explore what Forest Schools have to offer very soon. We have a date for our first taster sessions with more dates to follow throughout the year. On the day that your child is taking part in Forest School we ask that they come into school wearing weather appropriate clothing, suitable for being outside in the mud. You may supply wet weather gear if you would like but wellies are a must for everyone taking part. It is also important that arms and legs are covered. Please can you also bring in your child's uniform in a named bag just in case we need to get changed.

RMP	REB
Tuesday 27 th November	Thursday 29 th November

Other dates for your diary

Parent Consultations	RMP: Monday 12th November and Thursday 15th November
	REB: Tuesday 13th November and Wednesday 14th November
EYFS Nativity Performance	Tuesday 11th December

Donations

We would like to thank all of you that have already been kind enough to donate spare uniform and clothing but we would like to make another plea for a few bits and pieces. We are particularly in need of boys and girls underwear so if you have any spare and unused underwear please can you donate it to the school office.

Just a reminder!

Now that the weather is getting colder, please can you ensure that children bring in coats, hats, scarves and gloves. Please can you ensure these items of clothing are clearly named. We love using the outdoor environment in all types of weather and so need the children to be prepared.

If you have any questions about any of the above, please do not hesitate to speak to a member of the Early Years team. Although we may not always be able to speak to you in depth at the beginning or end of the day, you can make an appointment to see any member of the EYFS teaching staff after school to discuss any concerns or ideas you may have. We look forward to seeing you at the parent teacher consultations.

Warm regards,

The Early Years Team

