

# Re<u>ception Newslette</u>r



## Friday 19th January

The children have settled back into their routines very successfully following the winter break. They are developing friendships and becoming more and more confident at managing their social interactions. Thank you for the pictures you have sent in this week of your travels around the U.K., it has really helped the children to get more from their discussions. If you do have any other photos from visits to areas across the UK that you haven't sent in yet then please email them to your class account so we can share more memories in class.

Next week we will be looking at how objects have changed over time comparing older and modern examples of household items. We will also begin exploring our Antarctica topic by learning about penguins.



#### Phonics

The children have been excited to learn new sounds this week and are enjoying learning the catchphrases that go with each sound. They are starting to look for these sounds in their reading, and applying them when writing.

This week's sounds are: oo (as in moon), oo (as in book), ar (as in dark) and or (as in horn)



zoom to the moon

#### Reading

When sharing books at home we would recommend locating any "tricky words" on the page before you read so that the children don't try to blend them. Tricky words introduced so far are: is, I the, put, pull, full, and, has, his, her, go, no, to, into, she, push, my, of, me, she, be and he.

#### Mathematics

The children have really grasped the concept of using 0 to represent zero. This week we have deepened our understanding of composition of numbers to 5 as well as revisiting the concepts 1 more and 1 less.



### Forest School

Forest School sessions will continue weekly as normal on Tuesdays for both classes. A reminder that on Tuesdays, children need to come to school already dressed in warm home clothes with additional waterproof clothing in a named bag ready to wear during their session.

Grapheme	Catchphrase	Pronunciation phrase
00	hook a book	Pucker your lips and keep them small as you say oo oo oo
00	zoom to the moon	Open your mouth just a bit, put your hand on your tummy, pull your tummy in and say oo oo oo
ar	march in the dark	Open your mouth wide, push your tongue down and say ar ar ar
or		Make an 'o' with your mouth, push your tongue down and say or or or
	born with a horn	