



Friday 9th February

What an exciting week we've had! Everyone looked amazing in their Lunar New Year outfits and we all had so much fun trying some Chinese food as well as performing our special dragon parade around the school! Everyone looked fab in their happy outfits to mark **Children's Mental Health Week today**. All the staff in Reception wish you all a happy and relaxing half



Phonics

We have been looking at reading and writing longer words in phonics this week, we have read words such as **rabbit**, **carrot** and **velvet**. The children have then been reading these words in sentences such as "My rabbit has a bigger carrot".

Reading

Please make sure that your child has their **yellow reading diary** in school every day so their reading in school can be recorded. Lots of children are earning so many extra stickers for the reading that they do at home, it really does make so much difference to their progress.

Mathematics

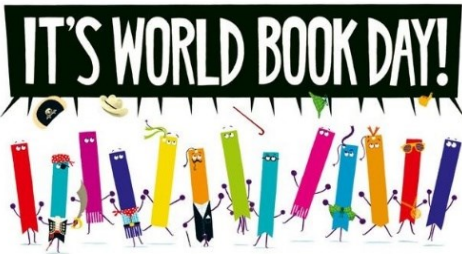
This week we have been exploring the numbers 6, 7 and 8. We have used 10 frames to explore different patterns that can be made and to represent 6, 7 and 8 and have delved into their construction using the part, part, whole method. After the holidays, we will continue our work on 6, 7, and 8 work by exploring addition.

P.E. and Forest School

Both classes will continue to have Forest School sessions on Tuesdays beginning the first week back. **Cygnets will now have PE on Thursdays** and **Goslings will return to having their PE on Fridays**.

World Book Day - Exciting news for world book day in school (March 7th). This year **we will not be** asking the children to dress up, but instead we are going to do something creative around our favourite book. Reception will also be visiting the library. Parents are invited to come along as well. As soon as we have confirmed dates we will let you know. More information to follow soon!





Thursday 7th March-

What is your favourite book? Can you make a puppet, or decorate a stone, or a wooden spoon, or even paint or draw a picture to show your favourite book? Here are some ideas below!



SIGNALONG

How are you getting along with the signs we have learnt so far? This week's sign is 'wait' (like doing a roly poly action backwards!)

WAIT



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Flat hands (palms down, pointing in) working hand above, make alternate slow backward circles.



Letter formation. Some of the children need support with forming letters correctly. This website (skywriter) helps to show you the correct formation. Have a look by clicking the picture above! <https://ictgames.com/mobilePage/skyWriter/index.html>