

Reception Class Weekly Newsletter

20.10.2023.

Hello everyone!

What a fabulous first half term!

The children have settled into school amazingly and formed some lovely friendships. I am very proud of the children 😊

Thank you to all who attended parents evening it was lovely to see you and for you to be able to see our reception class.

Maths

This week we have continued counting 1-5, forwards and backwards.

We have been singing lots of rhymes to move children on from reciting the number names by rote to applying them in their counting activities.

Key Vocabulary: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, one, two, three, four, five, how many, count, counting, forwards, backwards, order.

Phonics

We have continued our phase 2 phonics.

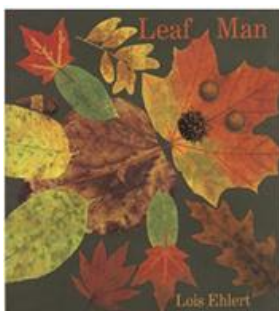
Our new phonemes (sounds) this week are:

ck, e, u, r

We have been practising how to write the graphemes (letters) using the correct letter formation.

Can your children find objects with the sounds **ck, e, u, r**. If so, please send pictures to me over Class Dojo. The children can share this with their friends.

Our core text this week was:



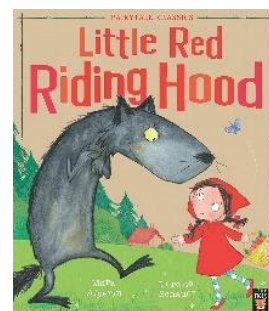
This week we have been thinking about the season autumn. We have been considering and discussing the many signs of autumn. We have been on an autumn walk and learned a new song called "the leaves on the trees".

Throughout continuous provision the children have been building a house for leaf man, leaf printing with paint, as well as using their imagination to create something using leaves (e.g. a leaf man, a leaf dog).

We have completed our Autumn 1: 'All About Me' learning.

In Autumn 2 our key theme is: 'Festivals and celebrations'.

Our Core text will be:



We will be focussing on the traditional tale

Little Red Riding Hood.

We will be linking our learning to Bonfire Night.

Important Notes:

- **October Half Term: Monday 23rd – Friday 27th October.**
- **School re-opens on Monday 30th October.**
- Please help us to promote your child's independence.
Encourage them to feed themselves and get dressed independently.
- Please label **ALL** your child's clothes!
- **PE** is **Friday morning**. Please bring a PE kit.
- **Forest school** is every **Wednesday**.



A special thankyou to the PTFA for gifting the gingerbread to welcome you all to St Mary's.

If you would like more information to become a member of the PTFA you can email: stmarysptfarawtenstall@aol.com



Awards:

Reader of the week: Tawhid

Our value - Respect: Amelia

Home Learning:

Please use the ideas provided from parents evening to support your children's fine motor skills and communication and language during the half term holidays.

We hope the children have a lovely half term.

See you all on Monday 30th October.

Miss Smith, Miss Haworth and Mrs Malik