

# Reception Class Weekly Newsletter

09.02.2024.

Hello everyone!

Reception have had a week full of lots of exciting learning and events ...

## Maths

We have continued our focus on addition in math's this week. We have reminded ourselves how to count on (8 people on a bus and 4 more people get on. How many people are there now?) and particularly focussed on adding two distinct sets together.

Home learning: Can you bring counting into your daily lives. There are 2 plates and 2 cups, how many altogether?

**Key Vocabulary:** Sets, how many, altogether, counting, total.

This is a part-whole model.

We use this to help us add numbers together.

The whole number is at the top and the two parts at the bottom make the whole number.

## Phonics

We have continued with our phase 3 phonics. This week we have learnt two new two phonemes (sounds) "ch" & "sh".

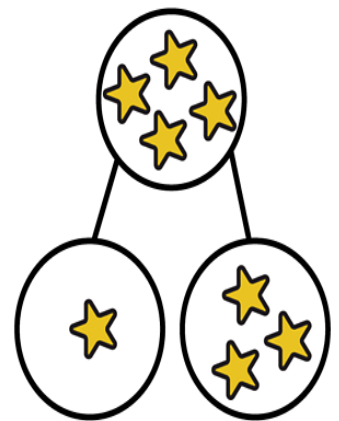
"ch" and "sh" are both **digraph's, two letters that make one sound.**

The children have been recognising and recalling the phase 2 and phase 3 sounds, blending the sounds to read words and we have even been holding sentences in our heads to independently write.

### Home learning:

Ask your child what is a digraph? (two letters that make one sound).

When you are reading can your child find the digraphs?



## Stay and read

**A big thankyou to all who came to the stay and read on Tuesday morning, it was a great success!**

**The children loved having you in their classroom and sharing stories with them, promoting our love for reading!**

**We will definitely be doing more events soon.**



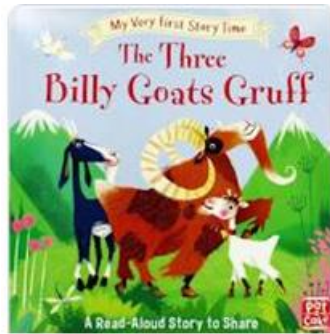
We went on our walk to the post box. The children were very well behaved and walked super sensibly!

We even saw the postman and his van on our way! It was very exciting! When we arrived back we watched a video to see what will happen with our post next.



Our core text this week was:

### The Three Billy Goats Gruff.



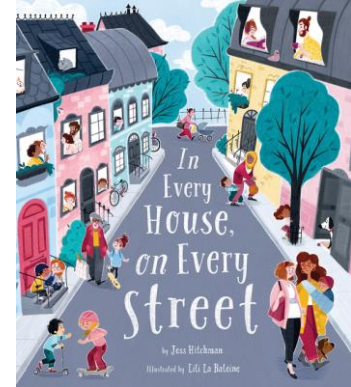
The children have loved reading another traditional tale. We have been re-enacting this story through play and using our voices to make different sounds which reflect the story character.

Spring 2:

Next half term our topic is:

**Roaming around Rawtenstall.**

Our core text will be:



#### Important Notes:

- Please read **DAILY** with your child.  
This is essential for children to become fluent with their reading and to revise new sounds.  
Please sign their Reading Record.
- Please help us to promote your child's independence.  
Encourage them to cut their own food and get dressed independently.
- Please label **ALL** your child's clothes!
- **PE** is **Monday morning** and **Friday morning**. Please bring a PE kit.
- **Forest School** will be on **Wednesday** morning.

#### Awards:

Mathematician of the week: Zahraa

Our value – Love: Zakariya

We hope the children enjoy their half term and we will see you on

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February.

Miss Smith, Miss Haworth and Mrs Malik