

# Reception Class Weekly Newsletter

28<sup>th</sup> November 2025

Hello everyone,

Please see what we have been learning in Reception this week and how you can help at home.

## Maths

In maths this week, the children have participated in activities that underline the purpose of **counting**:

- To find out '**how many**' objects there are altogether.
- The **last number** in the count tells us 'how many' things there are altogether in a set of objects.
- 1:1 correspondence skill, by counting numbers at the same time as moving or tagging objects.

A key focus this week has been deepening their understanding of 5 as a quantity by linking the number itself to the 5 fingers on one hand.

### Home Learning:

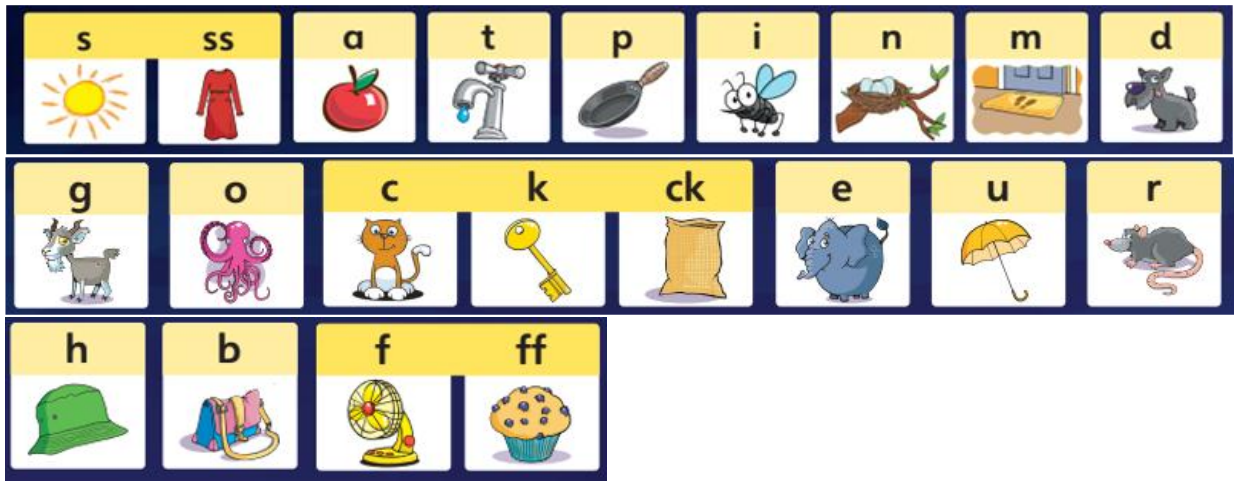
Listen to and join in with the rhyme 'Five little Peas'.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I8RHnLyZSMo>



## Phonics

This week we have continued to learn our phase 2 phonemes:  
**f and ff.**



### Home learning:

#### Reading at home-

- Read at home with your child, sign their reading records and your child will receive Dojo points!!!
- Talk about the features of the book: front cover, title, blurb, we read from left to right and noticing the page numbers.
- Spend time looking at the illustrations, commenting/discussing what you can see, what you think will happen next.
- Emphasise the initial sounds, e.g. "s sand" "b bag".
- Encourage children recognising, saying the sounds and then blending the sounds together to read the word.

#### Bug Club phonics-online learning-

Your child will have a yellow reading record in their bag.

Inside the front cover you will find a username and password to access Bug Club phonics.

Here the children have access to our Bug Club lessons, videos and games they can play at home.

#### Oral blending-

Children must be able to oral blend before blending to read words.

Play: "What's my word?" and use your 'robot voice'.

**Our core text this week was:**

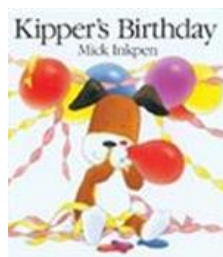


This week we have been focussing on the celebration: Weddings. We have been looking at how weddings are celebrated in different religions and cultures. The children have loved discussing the similarities and differences, whilst sharing their thoughts, opinions and experiences.

Throughout continuous provision the children have been cutting and sticking flowers, colouring mehndi patterns, making food in the mud kitchen and in the playdough.

**Our core text next week:**

**Kipper's Birthday.**



Next week, we will be continuing our half termly topic 'Festivals and Celebrations' with a focus on **birthdays**. We will be encouraging children to talk to others about an event from the past.

**Please send pictures in of children's previous birthdays which they can share with others, thank you!**

**Awards:**

**Writer of the week:**

**Ranayah**

**Our value of the week-  
Peace:**

**Evie**

**Well done!**



### Important Notes:

- Please label **ALL** your child's belongings! (clothes, coats, bags, shoes, etc).
- **PE** is every **Monday** (Burnley Community Trust).  
Please bring a PE kit: White top, shorts, pumps.
- **Children have access to outdoor learning every day.**  
(We provide waterproofs and wellies. If your child would prefer to keep a set of their own waterproofs and wellies in school, they can do).  
-Even though the children do wear waterproofs and wellies, splashing in puddles is lots of fun, a **spare set of socks** in their bag would be useful.
- Please can children have **water** in their water bottles.
- All children are **provided with fruit** for their **healthy snack**.

Thankyou,

Miss Smith, Miss Haworth and Mrs Rashid.