

Reception Newsletter
Friday 3rd February 2017



Next week in Reception

Next week we will be continuing to look at the "Toy Story" films. We are going to be making our own robots using tins. Please can all parents send a food tin in with your child at the beginning of the week. Please send in a **full** food tin (empty ones have sharp edges and are therefore dangerous). In our maths lessons our focus is measuring weights and lengths. We are going to take our learning outside and do lots of fun and creative activities.

In our afternoons we are going to be thinking about famous astronauts. We will be making fact posters and information booklets about everything we have learned so far.

This Week in Reception

This week the children have really engaged in their learning and I am so impressed with the progress that they have made in such a short time. We have been focusing on writing sentences using finger spaces. We have been looking at the film "Toy Story" and have been thinking about our favourite toys. The children have loved doing lots of speaking and listening activities during our carpet time. We also looked at how toys have changed over the years and I told the children all about the toys I played with as a child. In our maths lessons we have been carrying out an assessment of your child to see where they are at with their understanding of number. We will be working over the next week to iron out any misconceptions that your child may have about basic number. If you have any concerns about your child or would like any help and advice on how to support your child at home please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

SeeSaw Next week I will be launching a new app called SeeSaw. This app allows parents to receive pictures of your child and messages from me throughout the day. In your child's book bag you will find a child specific barcode that can be scanned through any smart phone. If you do not have a smart phone then the app can be downloaded via any PC or i-pad. This app also allows parents to message and send pictures to the school. After speaking to other schools that use this app, I am really excited to be able to show you how your child is progressing throughout the week. Please contact me if you have any queries or questions about this.

I would kindly ask that should you receive a picture of your child in a group picture with other children in the shot that you do not put this onto any social media. These pictures and messages are for your perusal only and failure to adhere to this may lead to you being asked to delete the app and no further pictures will be sent. This is in line with our safeguarding and IT policy.

*Help me to walk in your light,
and live my life in faith and glory.*



Homework

You will find your child's homework in their book bag. Along with this could you please talk to your child at home about the importance of staying safe whilst on the roads. We will be going into Cottam on a nature walk next week and would therefore like you to speak to them so we can ensure all children are aware of the dangers when crossing roads. Many thanks.