## <u>Reception Newsletter</u> Friday 26th January 2018



## This Week in Reception

We have been continuing to look at the book "Lost and Found" this week. The children have been thinking of another character that they could add into the story and have been making story maps to sequence the key parts of the story. It has been lovely seeing the children retain all the key parts of information from the book. We have been doing lots of writing practise and reading some quite tricky key words from the story. Our main focus this week has been writing letters that are clearly recognisable and trying to write on the line. I have been very impressed with the children so far. In our maths lessons we have been looking at 2d and 3d shapes. We have been looking at art by Paul Klee, an artist who uses shapes in his paintings. The children have been collecting shapes that they have found around the classroom and trying to work out their properties. We have begun to think about 3d shapes, although this has been a little bit trickier for the children to understand.

In our science lessons the children carried out an investigation to see which material would make the best boat. We saw some fantastic scientists during our lesson and the children amazed us with their scientific understanding and vocabulary.

## Next Week in Reception

We will be continuing to do more work on our focus book next week. The children will be writing the next parts of their story which will be shared with parents at the end of the week. In our maths lessons we are going to continue to look at 3d shapes as well as focusing on number bonds and facts to 10. In our DT lessons we are going to be starting to make our emergency vehicles. The children will be using junk materials to construct their own police car, fire engine or ambulance. They will also use collaging techniques to decorate their vehicles.

## Homework

I would like the children to complete some handwriting practise this weekend - you can find this in their book bags along with some high frequency words that I would like them to learn.

God in Heaven
hear my prayer.
Keep me in
thy loving care.
Be my guide in all I do.
Bless all those who love me too.
Amen.