



29<sup>th</sup> September 2017

Excalibur Primary School

Term: Autumn 1 Week: Four

## Reception Class Newsletter

Another busy week has literally raced by and the children have been involved in a variety of exciting learning opportunities. Earlier this week, they made their own butter which they enjoyed on a cracker at snack-time. They have been busy making marks and writing in glitter sand. The children have also had the chance to show what they already know during our Reception Baseline activities. This will provide some useful information concerning the children's individual next steps of learning.



In maths, we have been busy touch counting objects. We talked about the great strategies that some of the children employed. These included, counting and saying number names slowly, moving objects into a line or taking objects out of the pile as we said each number name. The children also went on to combine two groups of objects to find the new total.

The children have loved starting our Read, Write Inc. program this week. They have been focusing on sounds m, s, a and d. We have also looked at the formation of these letters and the children have been encouraged to practise them in the glitter sand and on the white boards. We will slowly introduce all set one letters to the children and the formation rhymes to help them begin to record sounds in words.

### Parents Consultation Evenings

*Remember to book your appointment for one of our consultation evenings. Mrs Rogers and I will be available on both evenings to discuss how your child has settled into school. We will also be able to share some of our baseline findings to help you to further support your child's learning at home.*

### Dates for your diary



**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October-** Infant's Harvest Assembly



**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October-** Reception Family Lunch'- Reception children can invite one or two guests to have lunch with them at school (details to follow)



**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October-** Reception Welly Walk'- Reception children go out on a local walk to Merelake Way (details to follow)



### Super stars



Congratulations to Sienna A. and Joseph S. who are our stars of the week. Keep up the hard work!



Our VIP's for Friday lunch were Tilly and Thomas. Well done!

Have a great weekend

Mrs Rogers, Mrs Cheadle, Mrs Thompson and Miss Lewington

