



3<sup>rd</sup> November 2023

Excalibur Primary School

Term: Autumn 2 Week: One

## Reception Class Newsletter

We've only had 4 days at school this week, but we've packed a lot in! We finished off our learning around pumpkins by finding out about the 94 year old Japanese artist Yayoi Kusama, and how she uses polka dots and pumpkins to create artwork. On Wednesday, Mrs Bailey led an NSPCC's 'Pants are Private' session, more about this can be found on Seesaw. We have begun exploring numbers 1,2, and 3 their composition and spotting arrangements of 1,2 and 3 without counting (subitising)

### Mystery Reader

Thank you to Logan's Mum who was our first mystery reader this week. The children were very pleased to welcome her. You may have seen on Seesaw that she came dressed as a witch. Please note this is not the expectation! Thanks again to everyone who has volunteered for our rota.

### School photographs (No PE) – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November

We will not be able to do PE on Monday as the hall is being used for school photographs.



In RWI this week we have been learning the sounds z and x as well as recapping all previously taught sounds. Continual practice helps to close any gaps so if you can help by practising at home using the little green speed sounds books that will be fantastic. Some videos to help support blending and close gaps on previously taught sounds will be uploaded onto Seesaw. Thank you to everyone who was able to attend our RWI information evening yesterday. If you were unable to attend, the PowerPoint will be uploaded onto the school website. It can be found on the phonics page and on our Reception class page.

### Dates ahead:

**6<sup>th</sup> November** – School photos, individual and siblings, EYFS and KS1 bonfire

**8<sup>th</sup> November** – visit from Alsager Fire Station

**17<sup>th</sup> November** - children in Need

**19<sup>th</sup> December** – 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' theatre trip

Further details on the above will be sent out very soon or have already been sent out.

### Vocabulary of the week:

These words have supported our reading of the story 'Meg and Mog'; sprinkling, explosive, transformation, concoction, trudging and clamber.



## Super stars



Congratulations to our stars...

**Lucy-Anne and Joel**



Have a wonderful weekend, Mrs Rogers, Mrs Bailey, Mrs Jesch and Mrs McCormick

