



4<sup>th</sup> October 2019

Excalibur Primary School

Term: Autumn 1 Week: Five

## Reception Class Newsletter

Another busy week has flown by in Reception. Some of our time has been taken up with Harvest practise as we got ready for today's assembly. The children enjoyed thinking of words and actions for our special song.



Mrs Choi, who is an optician, came to see us on Wednesday to help us understand how our eyes work and what happens when we get our eyes tested. We were able to use her special ophthalmoscope and had fun trying on different frames.

We used our sense of taste as we tried to work out different crisp flavours and talked about which we liked and didn't like.



In maths, we have been exploring 2D shapes. The children went out and about on a shape hunt searching for 2D shapes in the environment. We have been doing our usual counting activities, counting forwards and backwards with numbers to 20 and Numerblocks maths.

In Read, Write Inc. we added t, i and p to the sounds we learnt last week. The children have enjoyed trying to build CVC words using magnetic letter tiles. We have practised saying each sound and then sweeping underneath with our "Pointer of Power" (which is actually a regular ice lolly stick!) Don't worry if your child doesn't seem to recognise these sounds yet. It is still early days and there is lots of repetition built into RWI.

### Toys from home

We have noticed that a number of children are bringing in toys from home. Could we please ask you to remind your child that they should not bring toys from home to play with at school. After half term we will begin our show and tell sessions - details will follow.



### Super stars



Due to our Harvest assembly on Friday we did not have our usual celebration assembly. We were proud of the Reception children and how they joined in with our first ever performance. We hope that you were able to join us.



Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Rogers, Mrs Bailey and  
Mrs Thompson



### Autumn



Over the next few weeks we will be thinking about autumn. If you are out and about over the weekend and are able to collect any autumn items such as conkers, acorns, sticks and leaves, we would love you to bring them in so we can use them.

Don't forget to let us know if you can come on our welly walk. Thank you!

