

# Reception Class Newsletter

This week has flown by. In PE we have been continuing to build our stamina with our field runs, passing a ball using our feet and developing balance and coordination by balancing on and with different parts of the body.



We talked about why we wear poppies and why some people wear purple poppies. Some children made, drew or created poppies. We looked at these as we undertook our minute's silence. We also thought about why it is important to remember, as we shared some of our own memories.



Today, we showed our support for "Children in Need" as the children enjoyed some Pudsey themed activities.



Yesterday we talked about Diwali which is the Hindu festival of light and watched an episode from the excellent CBeebies series 'Let's Celebrate'. We were introduced to Jessica a little girl who explains how her family and local community would usually celebrate Diwali. Shadow puppets told the story of Rama and Sita and we saw the colours, patterns and lights that Jessica used to decorate her home. Following some children's interest in torches we have created a dark corner in the classroom. The children are using this to develop their learning about light, dark and shadows.



We introduced the sounds f and e this week. We have spent the remainder of the week consolidating the sounds we know and word building with them.

## VIPs

In order to encourage politeness and good manners at meal times, each Monday four children from each class are chosen to be VIPs. They sit on their year group VIP table and are rewarded with paper and pens to draw with whilst waiting and a small gift to keep. They also get served first for their lunch! We started this a few weeks ago and here are the children who have sat on the table so far:

16/10: Finley, Aléena, Joe, Isabella

3/11: Henry, Olivia, Leo S, Nelly

9/11: Elijah, Harry, Jessica, Willow (Willow will have a turn next week)

Next week our VIPs will be: Ruby, Lola, Leo M and Kyle

## Super stars

Well done to Aléena and Jack who are our stars of the week. Fantastic effort!



## Wow moments

We love hearing about all the wonderful things your children are doing outside school. 'Wow' moments are little notes and if appropriate a photograph/video that celebrate your child's achievements. When they are sent in we share them with the class and celebrate. A wow moment can acknowledge anything you think we could celebrate such as counting, learning sounds or a swimming award. Please upload them onto Seesaw with the heading Wow moment. They can be uploaded at any time throughout the year.

Enjoy the weekend and we will see you all on Monday,  
Mrs Rogers, Mrs Griffin and Mrs Thompson ☺