

## Reception Class Newsletter 12<sup>th</sup> February 2016



Goodbye

This will be my last weekly newsletter and so I would like to take the opportunity to thank you for all your support over the past 6 months. I have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know and teaching your children, they are all special and unique with so much

enthusiasm and a real love of learning. The progress they have all made is fantastic. I am very proud of them all, as I am sure you are. I know I don't feel ready to let them go, but as my baby's arrival is only a few weeks away I cannot stay any longer. I shall hear about their progress from the EYFS staff and I know that that they will continue to enjoy many more learning opportunities and to flourish.

This week and over half term there are no homework sheets but yesterday new words were added to the key rings for your children to practise. Please, please keep on going with them. I know it might seem hard going at times but the results really do pay off.

The letter about the forthcoming trip to Ford Green Hall should be going out today.



We began the week thinking about Chinese New Year and we watched some excellent short clips from the CBeebies website where we met a little girl called Abbie who told us how her family celebrate Chinese New Year. Then later in the day Mr Choi, who has children in Year 1 and 3, kindly came in to talk to us about the things his family do to celebrate. He also brought in some fortune cookies and some special biscuits for us to try. Everyone brought home their lucky red envelope with chocolate money in too!



Mrs Newbould got her frying pan out on Tuesday and flipped over 100 pancakes enough for all of Reception, Year 1 and 2! Mrs Ling talked to the children about Shrove Tuesday, lists of ingredients were written and the children did some activities based around the story of 'Mr Wolf's Pancakes'. Yesterday Mrs Ling talked to the children about the history of St. Valentine and the children made some little gifts which they have brought home tonight.

Mrs Cheadle came in on Monday and Tuesday and met the children.

Thank you to everyone who has already been encouraging their children to come in on their own. There have been lots of proud children telling us they have come in by themselves. I know it is hard for you as a parent but it really is a very important step.

Thank you to Isaac's Mum who was our mystery reader this week, reading another two brilliant stories. Last Friday, Findal's Dad came to talk to the children about energy and showed us how to use our energy to power a lantern and that with enough lemons you could power a small light. We also made up a new clap, an energy clap, which has proved popular this week! We had our last session with Sally Dinnis this week. Don't forget to buy your tickets for the concert on 23<sup>rd</sup> March via the LMT website.



Well done to our two stars of the week Maisie Lou and Jake and to Parry, Jenson and Jake who sat on the VIP table to eat their lunch today.

Thank you so much for the surprise this morning, as you could see I was really overcome! Your kindness and generosity means so much to me.

Thank you once again for all your support.

Kind regards,

Mrs D. Rogers