## Reception Class Weekly Newsletter – 29th January 2016 Play,



It's been another busy week in Reception this week. We had lots of fun with our teddy bears/toys on Tuesday. We danced, sang, measured, hid, talked about, drew and wrote about our teddies and of course listened to lots of teddy bear stories!



We have now split into 3 teaching groups for Read, Write Inc. Mrs Newbould, Mrs Woodcock (our Key Stage One teaching Assistant) and myself all take a group. The children have been grouped based on what part of the programme they are working on. However the groups are very flexible, just like with my reading groups, and we do move children around according to their need.



We have been using 'pointers of power' (lolly sticks) in our group reading this week to help us keep track of where we are reading. We use these in Read Write Inc too. Please keep the lolly stick at home and use it when your child is reading. It does take a little practice to get used to it. It should be held in the hand your child is writing with and their index finger (Peter Pointer) should be pointing down the stick.

Thank you for replenishing our cardboard tube/3D modeling basket. If you have any small plastic bottles/pots with lids we can use to make snow globes/shakers please send them in.

This week we were lucky enough to have two mystery readers. Jake's Dad came in on Monday and read 'Room on the Broom' and Keeley's Mum came in on Wednesday and read 'Sleeping Beauty' except the book was all about Princess Keeley rather Princess Aurora.

If you have chance over half term, 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' the fantastic production that we took last years reception children to see is on at the Lowry Theatre, Manchester over half term. There are two shows a day and it runs from Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> February until Sunday 21st February.

Congratulations to this week's stars of the week Isaac and George. Also congratulations to Lily and Oscar who sat on the VIP table to eat their lunch today.

Many thanks, Mrs Rogers, Mrs Newbould and Miss Kirby