# **Half Termly Newsletter**



Year group: Reception

Teachers: Reception Brownlee—Mrs Lee and Mrs Goldsmith. Reception

Findlay—Miss Hodder, Mrs Jakeman and Mrs Lee

Term: Spring 1 Topic: I wonder how I've changed since I was a baby?

# Reading at home

Children receive a new reading book to take home once a week. Please try to share the book with your child **3 times** a week if possible. Write in the yellow diary when you have read. Children who read at home make better progress!

#### **Phonics**

We continue with our daily phonics lessons and are now learning Phase 3 sounds, starting with j, v, w, x, y, z. Please look at the sheet sent home before Christmas which tells you all the sounds we will be learning. Ask your child to say them to you

# Our topic—'I wonder how I've changed since I was a baby?'

We are using storybooks such as 'Peepo' and 'Once there were giants' to talk about how we grow and change. Please send in a photo of your child as a baby. We will copy them and give you the original back.

#### **Maths**

We are developing our understanding of numbers 5, 6, and 7 this half term. This includes the composition of those numbers eg 2 and 3 makes 5. Can you talk about this at home? How many teddies are in the bed and on the floor? How many toothbrushes are in the pot and out of the pot?

### Homework

Please look out for the homework texts we will send out each week. Children can bring in pieces of work or photos can be uploaded onto Tapestry. We look forward to seeing them!

#### Reminders

School opening hours 8.45 - 3.15

PE days: WEDNESDAYS for all Reception children.

Children should be bringing PE kits into school in bags so they can practise getting changed. Self-care is part of our Early years curriculum.

'Reading for Pleasure' books can be taken on Fridays and returned the following Thursday.

'Stay and Play' Thursday 8th January 9am. More details to follow.