

Half Termly Newsletter



Year group: Reception

Teachers: Reception Brownlee—Mrs Lee and Mrs Goldsmith.

Reception Findlay—Miss Hodder, Mrs Jakeman and Mrs Lee

Term: Autumn 2 Topic: I wonder what people celebrate and why?

Reading at home

Your child will either be coming home with a book with words or a picture book. Once your child can blend sounds to hear a word then they will be ready to read. So lots of practise saying three sounds to make a word is vital eg c-a-t cat, d-o-g dog, p-a-n pan, t-a-p tap. **Please write in the yellow diaries to say you have shared the book.**

Phonics

The children have made a great start to their phonics learning. Our phonics teaching carries on this half term with the sounds

ck, e, u, r, h, b, f, ff, l, ll, le, ss

Look out for a sheet with all the sounds on coming home this week. Please look at this with your child as much as possible. We learn two sounds per week.

Our topic—'I wonder what people celebrate and why?'

Who celebrates Diwali? How do people celebrate? What is the Christmas story? How do Christians celebrate Christmas?

See below for a date for the Reception Nativity.

Maths

Throughout school we follow a 'Maths Mastery' approach. This half term we are learning how to say 'more than' and 'fewer than', to know that all numbers are made of smaller parts, to know pairs of numbers that make 4 and 5. *See below for a date for a maths meeting.*

Homework

We will start sending bits of homework home each week via text message. Each week will have a different focus eg maths, phonics. Your child might be able to bring their homework into school on paper or you can take a picture and post on 'Tapestry'. Please help your child complete these tasks.

Reminders

School opening hours 8.45 - 3.15 Please be prompt.

PE days: Thursday for both classes. Please send your child's PE kit in a bag.

Parent consultations: Reception Brownlee Monday 13th 9am-10am and 1.30-6pm.

Reception Findlay Thursday 16th 9am-10am and 1.30-6pm.

Maths meeting—Fri 24th Nov 9am.

Nativity performances—Tues 19th Dec 9am and 2.30pm