



Early Years' Newsletter: 5



Nursery with Mrs Bendall

We have enjoyed investigating ice, at Nursery, after finding a sliver in the bottom of a bucket. We talked about how ice is formed and made our own sparkly ice, by putting glittery water into the freezer. Some of the dinosaurs decided to take a dip in the pool outside, so we will have to see if they have been 'iced in'! Many of the children were kind enough to help Katherine when her 'car' broke down, diagnosing the problem expertly while developing language and counting skills and sharing tools and ideas with their friends. We really enjoyed making 'Silly Soup' this week, using only objects starting with 's' and starting to think about the sounds that other objects start with.

Please let us know when your child has done something amazing at home, or write it on a Proud Cloud at Nursery, so that we can celebrate these achievements with them at school, too. This could be anything from being especially kind or helpful, to learning a new skill. Congratulations to Leo, who has received a Proud Cloud for putting his head under water when swimming!

Reception with Miss Smith and Ms Oliver



In Reception this week the children have been busy investigating how food colouring turns flower petals different colours. We have also been drawing still life flowers for Remembrance Day and making our own eyewear for Children In Need. Thank you for supporting the charity. The children have enjoyed using plasticine to make letters and have been writing CVC words that we have 'spied' through our very own homemade binoculars. We have particularly enjoyed making circuits using light bulbs, batteries and wires. The children experimented with different ways to make circuits and persevered until the light bulb lit up.

In class, we would like to celebrate your child's home accomplishments, if you would like to share your child's achievements, please write them down and we will celebrate them in class.

Reading books will be available to change on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday each week. Your children would have received their new homework on Friday. Please could we ask that homework books are brought in by Friday each week, so that we can stick in new activities. If you have not brought in the red book, please look on the school website for the homework. Many thanks.

Dates for your diary

- *Monday 11th December, 11:00* Nursery Christmas Celebration (Children who do not normally attend on Mondays are welcome to take part.)
- *Thursday 14th December* Reception Christmas Concert at 9.30am
- *Friday 15th December* Whole School Pantomime at Overstone and Last Day for Nursery Children
- *Tuesday 19th December* Church Service, Christmas Lunch and Last Day of Term

Best wishes,

The Early Years' Team