

Reception Learning Bulletin 10th October 2025

It has been great to see the children growing in independence already this week – keen to try to put on and do up their coats. Keep up the good work!

Apple class have been thinking about families and about the ways in which families can be different or similar...

The children created some lovely party crowns this week linked to our super learner story; 'The Princess and the Wizard' by Julia Donaldson.

The children displayed enthusiasm when introduced to the first Jolly Phonics sounds; Ss, Aa, Tt and Pp, to help them to build the skills required to read and write simple words.

Inspired by Goldilocks and the Three Bears, we've explored sequencing and counting through story based maths activities, songs and rhymes.

Our Poem of the week 'All Change' by Julia Donaldson captured the children's imagination. Take a look and enjoy sharing it together at home.

This week we've been diving into the imaginative world of Anthony Browne, our Author of the half term. The children were intrigued by his stories and illustrations.

In P.E. the children were practising throwing and catching balls.

The children were excited to celebrate the importance of a good night's sleep on 'Pyjama day.' The ideas linked to the children's important Personal, Social and Emotional Development (Jigsaw time) They enjoyed;

- Hot chocolate (orange) and quiet chats
- Thinking and talking about brushing their teeth and showing their toothbrush to their friends
- Cuddling their bedtime cuddly toy
- Listening to bedtime stories

We discussed bedtime routines and how they help us to feel safe, rested and ready to learn. Many children have mentioned feeling tired on Monday mornings, so we kindly suggest planning for restful moments over the weekend and a calm Sunday evening, to support a peaceful night's sleep.

The Kite group brought home a golden ticket today to inform their families that their Show and Tell will be next Friday. Each group will take it in turns to participate in Show and Tell over the weeks ahead.

Well done Apple Class a super week at school!

Here are some home learning ideas;

- Be a letter and sound detective...Can your child spot the following letters; Ss, Aa, Tt, Pp on signs, at the shops, on a cereal packet, or in their storybooks? Can they say the sound and show you the action that matches the sound?
- Conversations – practising turn taking
- Rest, recharge and a calm and enjoyable bedtime routine
- Practise and develop understanding linked to sequencing every day activities; first, next, then...
- Enjoy sharing bedtime stories
- Count objects in the home; 4 chairs, 1 television, 3 spoons, 2 pillows, 5 apples

Leo's Challenge!

Support and guide your child's independence by encouraging them to try to put on and take off their school jumper/cardigan, attempt buttons and to put on and do up their coat.