



# Reception Newsletter

Burton Joyce Primary School

## Autumn Term 2

Welcome back to school! Our topic this half term is 'What Happens When the Sun Sets?' and each week the children will learn new facts about festivals, animals, light and dark to build their knowledge.

We have already had a fantastic start to the half term with a well-being day full of activities and learning about keeping healthy and happy. The children enjoyed decorating their initial ornament to help celebrate their uniqueness and had lots of fun trying out curling and boccia.

We have lots of other exciting activities planned including an activity day to learn about Diwali, The Festival of Light, Christmas Craft Day and our own Christmas performance.

### Christmas Nativity

Our performance to parents will take place on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm.

We have already started planning and will send you more information about this later in the half term.

### Homework

Well done to all the children who achieved 20 stars on their homework menu last half-term. This was celebrated in a class assembly where pot of gold stickers and certificates were handed out. If your certificate didn't make it home, please let us know and we can sort out a replacement.

This half term's homework menu can now be viewed on Tapestry. Please keep communicating achievements via Tapestry so your child can share their successes with peers. Remember one post every couple of weeks is more than ample.

***Please send in or post on Tapestry a completed homework grid or a message to say your child has achieved 20 stars by Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December in time for us to award stickers and certificates.***

### Tapestry

Keep an eye out for weekly posts from members of staff sharing different activities the children have been completing at school. This is a great place to start a conversation about what they have been doing at school and sometimes provides ideas for activities at home.

### Parents Evening

At the end of this half term you will receive a written report for your child's progress. The first formal parents' evening will take place in January and you will be sent a link to book an appointment nearer the time. If you have any questions about your child's learning please talk to the class teachers, you do not need to wait for the report or meeting if there's something you would like to know.

## Welly Wednesdays

Every Wednesday afternoon the children will be taking part in an outdoor activity to enhance their learning. Alternate weeks they will be going up to the Grove for their woodland workshop. Please send in named wellies in a plastic bag every Wednesday; unfortunately we do not have enough space in school to store them.

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### Reminder 1

Please ensure **all** clothing items, PE kits, water bottles and lunchboxes are clearly labelled.

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### Reminder 2

Please bring reading folders to school every day and make sure reading books are in bags every Friday ready to be changed.

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### Reminder 3

Please log home reading in your child's reading diary.

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### Reminder 4

Please ensure your child has a labelled PE kit in school by Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November.