Reception Newsletter

Hello another half term already! The children and I have had a lovely start to the year and I’m looking forward to teaching them about many celebrations this half term. Our topic, ‘Let’s Celebrate’ will involve Diwali, Remembrance Day, Eid, Thanksgiving, Hanukah and CHRISTMAS! Happy reading and only because I won’t be doing another newsletter before… Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Miss Smith

Some Changes have been Happening...
As you’ve probably seen, the classroom has had a rearrange, this is to create more zones in the classroom to encourage children to think about the type of learning they are performing: creative, maths, writing, constructing and reading.

Lunch Ordering
Thank you for your cooperation with the new lunch ordering system in the morning. The form is located in the Reception courtyard from 8:45 – 8:55 and involves writing down your children’s lunch choices after discussing what they would prefer. Please make sure your children are aware of their lunch choices, as this makes lining up in the dinner hall quicker and easier. I feel this system will encourage the children to eat more a variety of food and promote healthier eating at school.

The Zone Board
You have probably been hearing lots of things to do with the zone board! I just thought I would explain it to all of you. The zone board is especially used for behaviour and consists of five colours: gold, silver, green, yellow, red (in that order). All children start the week on green. Poor behaviour results in a warning, followed by moving down to yellow if the behaviour doesn’t improve and the same again onto red. Good behaviour results in moving up to silver and then gold.

A HUGE Thank You!
I was so pleased to see so much support from the Reception parents at the Family Fireworks night. So I would like to say thank you for volunteering to set up the night, manning the stalls and tidying up at the end!

Physical Development
This half term has seen changes to the children’s physical development. Children will now only be doing PE on a Friday and will also be doing regular physical development sessions during the week. This will include ‘Warrior Dancing’ to develop the children’s gross motor control and coordination and ‘Dough Disco’ to develop fine motor skills.

Toys from Home
From now on can we please not send our children to school with ANY toys from home. They are causing multiple disruptions during the day. They have plenty of toys at school.

Reminders
Now that the cold weather is upon us, can all children come to school with a hat, gloves and a scarf please! Don’t forget two pairs of socks for forest school too!