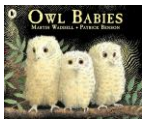
13th November 2026

Excalibur Primary School

Term: Autumn 2 Week: Two

Reception Class Newsletter



The wonderful story 'Owl Babies' was our chosen text of the week. Our special words this week have been; abandoned, worried, relieved, comfort, eerie, distant, plump, downy and nocturnal. Can you use these words to think of some super sentences? Next week we will be reading a story about Ned a hedgehog who looking for somewhere to hibernate. We will be finding out about other nocturnal creatures next week too.



We also took some time to talk about why we were wearing poppies and how the armed forces help to keep us safe and we finished learning how some families celebrate the Hindu festival Diwali.

Maths

This week we have been focusing on more and less and using the stem sentences

_ is 1 more than _

_ is 1 less than _

Mystery Readers

We have been inundated with offers this week. Thank you so much. We will always make sure anyone who volunteers will have a turn. If you haven't been offered a date and you have asked, please let us know.

Have a lovely weekend, from the EYFS team

Super stars

Congratulations to our stars…

William and Nyla



Read Write Inc. Phonics

This week we have again recapped the sounds taught so far and focused on closing on gaps. Some children have been introduced to the set 1 special friends sh, ch, th, qu, nk, ng and ck, whilst others have been closing gaps in initial sounds.

Dates Ahead:

26th November– Non uniform day for Xmas Fair (bottle donations please)

27th – 29th November – Christmas Tree Festival, Wesley Place

2nd December – Elf Run for St. Luke's Hospice

8th December – Reception and Year 1 visit to watch 'The Jolly Christmas Postman'

10th December - 10 am EYFS Nativity

14th December – EYFS party day

16th December – Christmas lunch and jumper day

18th December –Finish for Christmas

4th January – Return to school