



Reception Newsletter

In Drawing Club this week, we have been looking closely at the character Mr Spoon from *Button Moon*. The children explored the setting of the moon and talked about the exciting adventures Mr Spoon has as he looks through his telescope. They imagined what he might see, what he might discover, and what magical things could happen in space.

To make the magic happen, the children used their phonics skills to write CVC codes, carefully sounding out words and recording them independently. It has been wonderful to see their growing confidence in early writing.

In phonics, we've been learning the sounds **j**, **v** and **w**. The children have been practising reading and writing simple words with these sounds.

Our maths focus has been on *comparing quantities*, a skill children naturally begin to develop from a young age. This week, we have built on these early abilities by encouraging children to compare two sets of objects through 1:1 matching. By pairing objects, the children have been able to see when groups have an equal number, or when one group has more than or fewer than another.

We've been reinforcing key vocabulary throughout:

- **more than**
- **fewer than**
- **an equal number**

Since we are focusing on things that can be counted, we have used *fewer than* rather than *less than*, and *more than* rather than *greater than*.

PE – Goldilocks and the Three Bears Dance

In PE, we continued our dance unit—this week inspired by **Goldilocks and the Three Bears**. The children explored different movements to represent the characters, experimenting with *big and powerful* actions for the bears and *light, careful* movements for Goldilocks. They worked brilliantly to move expressively and stay in time with the music.

Shape Spaceships

The children enjoyed making their own spaceships using 2D shapes. They explored circles, squares, triangles, and rectangles, thinking about how shapes can be combined to create exciting designs. Their imaginations truly took off!

Children in Need – Wear Spots Day

Thank you for supporting our *Children in Need* celebrations! The children looked fantastic in their spotty outfits, and we spent time thinking about kindness and how we can help others.

AWARDS



Every week, the staff look out for those children who are just that little bit extra special in the current week to award them one of our Achievers Certificates. It might be for lots of effort, fantastic presentation, super learning behaviour, lovely manners, being extra helpful or just that bit more determined than the others to finish their work accurately. They might be an outstanding all-rounder.

Achievers

Elijah

Sadie



VIPs

James

Freya

Dates for the Diary

Wednesday 19th November 2-3pm

Silent Disco £5.00 a ticket.

Wednesday 26th November 2.30pm

We will be holding a **Phonics Workshop** for parents and carers. This will be an opportunity to find out more about how we teach phonics in Reception and how you can support your child's reading and writing at home.

Friday 21st November

Own Clothes Day - chocolate donations for the Christmas Fair please.