

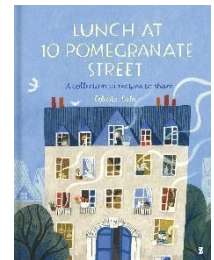
# Foxfield Reception Newsletter

4<sup>th</sup> November 2022

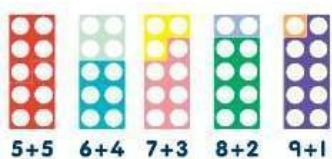
Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back to a new half term! We hope you all had a restful break and are ready for the new term.

This term in Literacy, we will be focusing on the core text 'Lunch at 10 Pomegranate Street' by Felicita Sala which builds on our learning around the global theme of 'Identity and Diversity.' Children will learn about the important role food plays in every culture; both day to day and in celebrations. Through our core text children will learn about different dishes from around the world and will practise following recipes to make them.



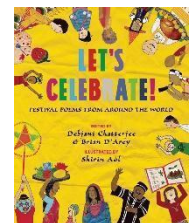
To promote Personal, Social and Emotional development and to develop the children's communication and language skills we will be exploring and trying new foods. By sharing our opinions and listening to others the children will use their oracy skills to talk about what foods they eat at home, their likes and dislikes, and how we can give and follow instructions to complete different recipes. Our project outcome for the end of term will be to create and share a video of our experiences.



In Maths, this half term Reception will be focusing on number value, ordering numbers and finding the missing number. We will also be looking at one more and one less and begin to add small numbers together using objects and numicon. In addition, we will be looking at pattern, including patterns in shape and number.



To promote Understanding of the World we will be using the supporting text 'Let's Celebrate' to learn about cultural celebrations such as Diwali, Hanukkah and Christmas through poetry. In Expressive Arts and Design the children will be exploring the work of Giuseppe Arcimboldo and how he incorporated food in creating art. Continuing our learning from last term, the children will be using Giuseppe's food themed portraits to create their



own self-portraits. The children will also be using creative ways to design and generate their own art pieces using different cooking utensils.

During PE, the children will have the opportunity to express themselves and build on their dance skills as they learn how to move their bodies to different cultural dances, by building their own routine. We will be learning Bollywood, African and Chinese dances.

**Please note that our PE day is a Friday this half term and your child will need to have their PE kit in school. Please ensure that all items of kit are clearly labelled with your child's name.**

We will also continue daily phonics and guided reading groups with the children to put their knowledge of sounds into practice. Please find below a few websites that you may find useful to explore at home with your child to support their learning in the EYFS curriculum:  
Below are some useful links for how to articulate the sounds and websites for games you can play at home to promote reading and writing skills.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pvIBPB7ljQQ>

<http://www.familylearning.org.uk/>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/>

[http://www.bbc.co.uk/learningzone/clips/topics/primary.shtml#early\\_years\\_foundation](http://www.bbc.co.uk/learningzone/clips/topics/primary.shtml#early_years_foundation)

<http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk>

## General Information

**Guided Reading Books:** From Friday 4th November, children will be taking home a phonics reading book which they will keep for a week to practise their reading skills at home. Your child will be given a book that they have been reading during their guided reading sessions in school and that correlates with the phonics they have been learning. Please ensure that all books are returned the following week (Friday) otherwise we will not be able to provide a new reading book.

**Water bottles:** Please ensure your child brings a clean, suitable water bottle into class with their name on.

**Lost property:** To ensure that personal items are not lost, please write your child's name on their book bag and all clothing.

**All weather:** Children have access to the outdoors in all weathers. Please ensure that they come dressed appropriately for the day (e.g. coat, hat, gloves, wellies, etc.) Please provide a bag with a spare change of clothes in case of any accidents.

## Dates for your diary

15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>- Parents evening

25<sup>th</sup> November- Inset day

16<sup>th</sup> December- End of term

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