



Reception Newsletter

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Dear Parents,

The children have been really busy practising for their Nativity performance and they are very excited to perform to you. Please make sure you have booked your tickets from Mrs Baird in Reception. We would also like to say a big thank you for your payment for the 'Santa Express'. We will be going!

Well Done Assembly:

During the last fortnight these children have been super-stars at school.

Mrs Ritchie's Class:

Luke- For always trying his best and being a kind friend.

Mikah- For always trying her best and having fantastic helping hands.

Ebony, Jaylen and Mikah for fantastic reading as our narrators in our Nativity.

Miss Harper's Class:

Harry Buscombe for independent name writing.

Charlie Clark for his sentence writing using a capital letter to start, finger spaces and a full stop at the end.

Ruby and Jamie for fantastic reading as our narrators in our Nativity.

Mrs Ritchie's Group

Literacy:

During the last two weeks, the children have really enjoyed being scientists to carry out an experiment on 'The Minty Explosion.' The children independently wrote instructions using finger spaces, capital letters and an exclamation mark at the end of their sentence.

Maths: This week the children have been learning about 'Subtraction'. The children have used the language needed for subtraction e.g. take-away, less, how many are left? The children have begun to subtract two numbers using a range of resources. They have really enjoyed using the skittles to work out how many skittles there are? How many they knocked down? How many are left? They begun to use this information to write number sentences using the take-away sign and equals sign.

Miss Harper's Group

Literacy:

The children have been working hard over the last two weeks reading and writing words for our instructions for the 'Minty Explosion'

Maths: The children have applied their knowledge from the previous two weeks on addition and subtraction, developing the concept for number bonds to ten. For example, $8+2=10$ so this means that

$$10-8=2.$$

They have used a range of resources such as numicon, number lines, bus stop games and small people along with our road map for adding and subtraction. This linked in very well with our Road Safety week. The children are becoming more confident at writing number sentences using the correct signs

Important Information

We always need of 'modelling junk' for our 'Making Table. Please can you bring in cereal boxes, juice bottles, bottle lids etc. Please can items be washed out. We cannot expect toilet rolls.

Well done to Tommy for achieving Level 2 in roll-erskating. We are very proud of you.

Home Learning

The children have really enjoyed carrying out science experiments at school. We would love to see or hear about children carrying out their own science experiments at home. This website will give you lots of ideas. Take photos or write about it in your child's home learning book.

<http://www.sciencekids.co.nz/experiments.html>

