



Dates for your Diary

9 th Nov 9:30am	Prospective parents Reception open morning
14 th Nov 9:30am	Prospective parents Reception open morning

Eaglet News

Wow, we have completed our first half term in Early Years and what an amazing half term it has been.

We feel extremely proud of how the children have settled into school life so quickly; they have adapted to their new routines, made lots of new friends and are now becoming more familiar with the rules and expectations. It has also been wonderful to see a real love for learning develop in every classroom, throughout carpet sessions and free flow. The children have been observed taking risks, thinking creatively, developing their independence skills, taking ownership of their progress, recognising their own and others social and emotional boundaries and, most importantly, having lots of fun.

We wish you all a safe and restful half term break, and look forward to seeing the children back, raring and ready to go!

Messages

Makaton

At St. John's, we use Makaton signs around the school. We encourage all pupils to use these signs to develop their understanding of inclusivity and promote good relationships with everyone. Every week Early Years will have a 'Sign of the Week' that we will teach the children the following week.

Oral Hygiene

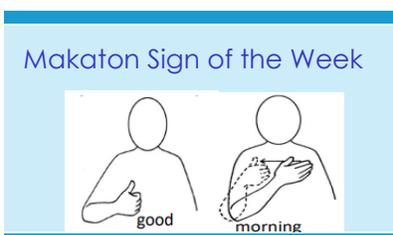
After half term, Reception will begin daily supervised tooth brushing sessions in class. Please read the letter sent out earlier in the week for more information on this.

Coats

As we enter the winter months, please can we remind you that children should be bringing a school coat in to school **every day**. We encourage parents and carers to teach their children how to recognise their own coat (sticker, label, name recognition) and to put their coat on by themselves using our flip trick, if needed.

Please see here for a demonstration:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w9Hohc3mkiA>



Congratulations to our Stars of the Week

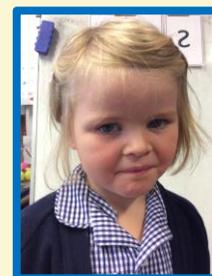
Nursery – Lola



RE – Coco-Cruz



RM – Coco



Reception

Our learning this week

This week, we went on our first school trip to Bishops Park. We completed autumn activities such as a scavenger hunt and leaf art. Thank you to our parent helpers who came with us!



Next Week

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will be beginning our PSHE whole school scheme, *Jigsaw*. We will be familiarising ourselves with the routines and the fun characters of 'Jenie' and 'Paws'.

Communication, Language and English

We will be learning about the story of Guy Fawkes and why Bonfire Night is celebrated by some. In Phonics we will be learning the graphemes 'j', 'v', 'w' and 'x'. We will learn the HRSW words 'he', 'she' and 'buses'.

Physical Development

In our PE lesson, we will be developing our ability to play as a team.

Mathematics

We will begin to explore addition and subtraction, using a part whole model.

Understanding the World

We will be talking about events in the past that link to Bonfire Night. We will explore the element of fire, learning about fire safety.

Expressive Art and Design

We will be exploring the skill of colour when creating.

Nursery

Our learning this week

In Nursery, we have loved creating arts and crafts when looking at the season autumn. Check out our autumn crowns!



Next Week

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will begin our PSHE lessons; talking about 'kinds hands' and how to use these in our play.

Communication, Language and English

We will be looking at celebrations our family has and focusing on Guy Fawkes and Bonfire Night.

Physical Development

We will be discovering how to use our senses by listening to fireworks, feeling the warmth of fire and taking care of ourselves by studying fire safety.

Mathematics

We will continue recognising the numerals 1 – 5 and counting objects to 5; using 1:1 correspondence.

Understanding the World

We will begin to understand that people celebrate events with others and share experiences.

Expressive art and design

We will be making many crafts that show fireworks.

