



St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

Weekly Reception Newsletter

Important Notes:

- Please continue to read to your child every evening.
- Encourage your child to put on and take off their coat and jumper.
- Please make sure that all items of school uniform are labelled including coats and jumpers.

Homework:

- Listen to your child retell a picture book in their own words.
- Play rhyming eye spy.
- E.g. I spy with my little eye something beginning with mat...
- Practice writing the sounds we have learn this week in chalk or water (with a paint brush) on the path.
- Head to the park with your child and talk about the leaves changing colour. While at the park, please collect 2 or 3 autumn leaves which we will use for an autumn craft.
- Let your child help set the table for dinner. Help them count out the correct number of knives, forks and plates.

This week in Reception:

- This week we talked about the importance of using gentle hands and being kind to our friends.
- We drew elephants inspired by the book Elmer.



- This week we started learning about the seasons.
- The students have been enjoying making snails and slugs out of playdough, just like the ones we have been finding in the garden after the rain.

Mathematics:

Number

- This week we have been learning about early number patterns.
- Together we have been practicing out one to one counting.
- We used number card to order numbers and matched them with collections of objects.



- As a class we continued to practice writing numbers to help improve our formation.

Literacy:

- **Phonics** - This week we have been looking at the sounds e, l, h, r and j. We practiced our letter formation and our oral blending.
- This week we have been reading the story Elmer by David McKee.
- We predicted what might happen in the story, sequenced picture cards and answered questions.
- We continued to develop our rhyming and syllable skills. When rhyming we worked hard to remember to listen to the end sounds in each word.



