

Reception Boot and Bell Classes Newsletter: 10th January 2022

Welcome back and happy new year! We hope you had a lovely break. We are all so excited to welcome your children back to school.

A new face

Miss Anderson is a lovely teaching assistant who has joined the Reception team. She is really looking forward to supporting your children's learning.

This half term's topic

Our topic this half term is 'My Community'. We are looking forward to learning about the special people and places that belong to our community here in the Meadows. On **Wednesday 2nd February** we will be going on a walk around our community. We will also be visiting our local library this half term. You will receive separate letters about these trips. Remember to check our webpage for more information about our learning and for pictures of what we get up to in class!

Daily Reading

We would like to remind you of the importance of reading with your child daily. All children are sent home with a new decodable reading book each week, and one of the best things you can do to support your child's learning, is to read with them for 5 minutes every day. This encourages them to remember the sounds they have been taught in phonics and to practise the skill of blending them together to read words. Children need to bring their decodable reading book and reading diary to school every day.

PE & Forest School

Our PE day will change to a Friday this half term. Children must wear a white polo or t-shirt, black leggings or jogging bottoms, and black plimsolls. Please continue to support your children to practise putting on / taking off their own socks and shoes. Forest School will continue to be on Wednesdays. Children will need to wear wellies and a warm, waterproof coat. Wellies can be kept at school as they are used throughout the week when it rains. Please remember to label all items of clothing and shoes.

We look forward to another amazing half term with your children.

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