

# Reception Newsletter

**We hope everyone had a relaxing and enjoyable break!**  
**This half term's topic is 'Transport' , 'People who help us' and 'Chinese New Year'.**

## Celebrations

The children enjoyed the trip to our local church to talk about the Christmas festivities. The vicar read a story about the birth of Jesus, the new King. The children took part in craft activities and used sparkly and shiny resources to create a shining star and an angel. This half term children will be learning about Chinese New Year.



## Parent Workshops

We will be holding a Maths workshops this term.

**We will be talking about the end of year expectations and how you can support your child with meeting them.**

**The dates will be confirmed and posted on Tapestry. Please ensure you attend as this will be helpful when practicing key skills and targets at home.**

## Home Learning

This half term we have seen some fantastic home learning! Please make sure your child uses their sound mats to help them write phonetically and the harder to read and spell word mats for words that cannot be sounded out.

If their spelling is incorrect, that is ok as they should be using their phonetic knowledge to help them write.

If you are unsure of how to support your child, please speak to your class teacher .

**Please do not write for them!**

## Drawing Maps

As part of the Understanding the World ELG, this term children will be drawing their own map. To help children identify what to draw on their map, we will be walking to the end of the street looking at road markings, signs, bus stops, different vehicles and buildings. We will be comparing our drawn maps to maps from different parts of the world.

## P.E.

Please ensure your child has the correct P.E. Kit (black or navy blue shorts or jogging bottoms and plain black trainers. Please make sure all school clothing is clearly named or it will get lost.

Please make sure you child arrives to school every MONDAY wearing their PE kit.

## Transport

This half term children will be learning about different modes of transport, we will be thinking about how children travel to school.

We will be making fire trucks and boats using junk modelling so please bring in plastic containers, cardboard boxes, egg cartons, plastic bottles.

