

Welcome Back to our Autumn 2nd Half Term. We hope you all had a fun and well rested holiday.

We have got a very busy half term with lots of fun events happening. Earlier this week we talked about how to celebrate Halloween and some children made invitations for a party in the Role Play house. The children enjoyed telling us about their evening of trick or treating. Later in the week we began our new topic SENSES and have been learning how to use our senses for different purposes. We have also been learning about Bonfire Night and how to 'Be safe' on Bonfire night.

Reception children will be getting changed into a PE kit next week for our indoor dance lessons. **Please ensure that ALL children have a (labelled) yellow t-shirt and blue shorts in school on Monday**. Please help your child to practice taking their clothes and shoes on and off in preparation.

The children have loved our 'Light and Bright Day'. They enjoyed wearing their own clothes and dancing in the disco.

Notice Board/Dates for your Diary

TOPIC – Senses Dates for Diaries Mon 6th – Uniform shop at the community entrance

Fri 10th Nov – Nursery School Trip day – Start time and finish times will be normal. Please wear full uniform, sensible shoes and a waterproof coat.

Money raised for 'MIND' charity was £490. A big thank you to everyone who has contributed and to Mrs Renshaw for all of her hard work.

At Home

Ideas to help at home -

Practise Gross motor skills, e.g. using the climbing frame at a local park or riding on a bike or scooter, holding chalk or pens to draw on the ground/large paper.

Reception – This week's homework is to use their senses at home and list the things they smell, taste, etc.

Encourage your child to practise writing their name.

Encourage children to listen for Initial sounds in words.

Child Voice

Reception

<u>Thomas</u> said his favourite activity this week was the doughnut eating competition. The children had to eat a doughnut without using their hands.

<u>Dominica</u> said that her favourite activity was carving the pumpkins in the investigation & fine motor areas.

Nursery

<u>Nicholas</u> said his favourite time this week was dressing up for the disco, Light and Bright Day.

Katie said she made a super firework picture with Mrs Armistead.

General Reminders

- Please remember to bring in a waterproof coat and wellies (these can stay at school) everyday
- Please remember to write your child's name in ALL their uniform as we are having lots of lost jumpers and cardigans but with no names in them.
- > Nursery children are not allowed to stay in breakfast club without a parent/carer Thank you