



Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November



We have had a fabulous week celebrating Diwali, linked to our topic Festivals and celebrations. The children were amazing at the Bollywood dancing. They were a credit to the school and to you as their parents. We were complimented on their listening skills, their behavior and their enthusiasm. I was so proud!!! The next day we had a visitor in school supporting the children to paint and decorate their own diva lamps. It was fabulous and they produced some beautiful work.

The number of Reception children that cannot take off their own jumpers and cardigans is still quite high. This is a part of the curriculum and an expectation that children can do this independently; please support them to practice this at home. **Can we ask that children wear appropriate shoes i.e. Velcro, until they are able to tie their own shoe laces.**

### Notice Board/Dates for your Diary

**Quality Assurance** – During her visit to school this term the schools quality assurance officer, has clarified our judgement that our EYFS IS OUTSTANDING! We are so proud of the staff and the children for this judgement. Thank you for supporting Pike Fold.

#### Dates for Diaries –

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November – Today is Children in Need**

**Mon 19<sup>th</sup> November – Uniform Shop**

**Wed 21<sup>st</sup> November – KS1 Road Safety**

**Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> November – Nasal spray Rec-Y5 Homeless Shoebox Appeal Ass 2pm**

**Tues 27<sup>th</sup> and Thurs 29<sup>th</sup> November – Parental Reviews**

### At Home

Ideas to help at home –

Practise Gross motor skills, e.g. throwing and catching a ball, rainbow sticks – making and using outside.

Reception – This week's homework is linked to Diwali. The children have really enjoyed learning about this celebration.

Encourage your child to practise writing their name.

Encourage children to listen for Initial sounds in words.

Website [www.starfall.com](http://www.starfall.com)

### Stars of the Week

This week Reception went to their first assembly to receive their star certificates:

**Mrs McDonald – Riley**

**Miss Gates – Lyra**

**Mrs Hardy – Thomas & Scarlett**

**Well done super stars!**



### 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