



Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February



This week we have been continuing our cold places topic and we have learnt about the signs of winter. We have continued to use *The Gruffalo's Child* book as a focus discussing the beginning, middle and end of a story structure. We have also celebrated and talked about Chinese New Year: the Year of the Pig! We finished the week with our fantastic Dragon dance through school- we hope you enjoyed this.

Well done Reception for their fantastic and informative assembly all about our cold places topic Penguins; we hope you were entertained and learnt a few facts about these amazing creatures!

In Maths Reception children have been learning about number formation by identifying naughty numbers and practicing number formation: please practice this at home. Naughty numbers are 4,5 and 6 because they are looking the wrong way! Nursery children have been learning about positional language under, over, next to.

Next Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February we are holding a parents phonic information session at 9.15am in the dining room. This will be an opportunity to learn about phase 1 and phase 2 phonics and how you can support your child at home. We hope you can make it.

### Notice Board/Dates for your Diary

#### TOPIC – Cold places

- We have an EYFS Parents Email which you are welcome to send any comments or enquiries to: [eyfparents@pikefold.manchester.sch.uk](mailto:eyfparents@pikefold.manchester.sch.uk)
- Phonics parent session 9.15am in the dining room.
- Break up for half term on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February at normal finish time. School reopens on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February.

#### At Home

Ideas to help at home – Shape of the week is triangle.

**Reception Homework** – Number formation and to write a sentence about the Gruffalo's child.

Encourage your child to practise writing their tricky words The, to, I, no, go, we, me, be, he, she.

Encourage children to write their names.

#### Stars of the Week

This week's Reception stars are:

Miss Gates – Grace and Iman

Mrs Hardy – Clay

Mrs McDonald– Mackenzie



#### General Reminders

- Please check out our website blog and leave any comments!: [www.pikefold.manchester.sch.uk](http://www.pikefold.manchester.sch.uk) and click on the EYFS page.
- Please ensure your child has a **spare change of clothes** (these can stay in our blue peg bags at school).
- **Please can we ask that your child doesn't bring any toys in from home.**
- **Reminder only small, school coloured hair accessories to be worn**