Friday 15th January



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This week the children have had fun learning all about different types of houses and homes and especially looking at animal homes and matching animals to their homes. The children have had an exciting time exploring all the new activities around the room and nursery children have started to practice writing their names. Please ask your child to share what they are learning at school with you!

Just a reminder that your child in reception will be doing PE on Monday morning. Please can you try to ensure that your child has a full PE kit in school ready for Monday. Please make sure your child has suitable footwear i.e. no laces.

Some children in reception have now reached phase 3 Phonics and will now start to receive spellings as part of their homework each week. If your child is starting spellings you will receive a letter with the spellings attached to practice at home for the following week. As each child in reception reaches phase 3 they will receive the spellings so please don’t worry if your child has not yet started them as each child progresses at different rates. We thank you for your support in helping your child at home with their learning.

Stars of the Week

This weeks Reception stars are:

ALL children for exploring the areas well.

This weeks Nursery stars are:

ALL children for having a go at practising their name in a morning.

[](http://www.google.co.uk/url?sa=i&rct=j&q=&esrc=s&source=images&cd=&cad=rja&uact=8&ved=0CAcQjRxqFQoTCMvglZ6A-scCFYxuFAodGpgExw&url=http://www.star-network.org.uk/index.php/news/comments/finished_those_finals_welcome_to_star_graduates/&psig=AFQjCNFc3KXkv2GomG9IIPHesW7q7Kvwlg&ust=1442439519771587)

At Home

Ideas to help at home – Number of the week is 8

Reception – This week’s homework is to estimate how many objects there are and then check by counting. Estimating means having a guess, this does not mean they need to get the estimate right but it has to be a sensible guess.

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.

Notice Board/Dates for your Diary

TOPIC – **Houses and homes**

* Reminder – There is a coffee morning every Friday after Main school assembly in the dining room – Everyone is Welcome.
* We now have a Family Engagement Officer who is here to support parents and families in a wide range of areas, She will be available during the coffee morning on a Friday and here are her contact details:

Mrs Jess Gallimore Direct Line – 0161 795 7662

* Our Chair of Governors is Eddie Roberts and he is available to contact by email – chair@pikefold.manchester.sch.uk
* Please remember to check our NEW school website to keep upto date and all activities happening in school.

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