



All Saints Reception Newsletter



(Friday's Fortnightly Newsletter 4: 09/11/2018)

This Week/Term

English: We have been continuing to learn the story 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' and would like to invite you in for a performance of this in the upcoming weeks (date to be arranged!) After this story, we will be reading a story called 'Stickman' related to our weather topic. It may be beneficial to discuss the different clothing we wear for different weathers at home which will support your child's self-regulation skills (knowing when to take their jumper off when they are too hot or putting their coat on when they are cold).



Phonics: It's great to hear of so many children practising their Phonics flashcards at home! This is really going to benefit your child's quick recall of these sounds, so thank you to all at home who have been practising. This week in Phonics, we have been focusing on the tricky words 'go' and 'into' as well as learning the new sounds **c**, **k** and **u** (please find these letter formation phrases attached).



Maths: We have been learning to count up to 20 and order these numbers correctly. Next week, we will be discussing which numbers are 'more' or 'less.' It would benefit your child's Mathematical development if you could introduce these two words at home through daily conversation. For example, Do I have **more** or **less** grapes than you? Are there **more** or **less** teddies in your bedroom than your brother's bedroom?

Don't Forget...

Please return your child's 'Next Steps' form **ASAP** if you haven't already done so.



If you have already returned it, your child's **next steps will be in their book bag** today.

If you have any queries as to how you can support your child with achieving these next steps at home, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Important Dates

Friday, 23rd November: Mr O'Reilly's class Bootle library visit at 10:00AM (parents, carers, grandparents are welcome to meet us there!)

Thursday, 29th November: Flu Vaccinations during school time.

Tuesday, 11th December: EYFS Nativity at 10AM (2 tickets each)

Wednesday, 12th December: EYFS Nativity at 2PM (2 tickets each)

Friday, 14th December: Christmas jumper day (Christmas socks, scarves etc are also fine instead).

Special Events/Activities/News

As you probably already know, we are very keen to develop positive and supportive relationships with parents across the school. In our Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS), we would like to keep you up to date with your child's learning on a daily basis and can do this through an observation app called 'Tapestry.' Tapestry allows us to take photographs and videos of your child's work and play in school time, to make notes and link this up to assessment criteria.



As a parent, you can download the app to your phone or Ipad, comment on their photos and videos and take your own at home! It worked really well last year and staff are very keen to get this up and running for parents again as children really enjoyed showing their learning to people at home. We will be sending a letter out next week which will ask for your email address in order to create an account for you. **Please return this promptly.**



Reminders: As much as the children enjoy wearing them, large or oversized hair bows are not part of our uniform policy in school and can in fact become a health and safety hazard, such as being caught on things when running outdoors and pulling at the hair. Please avoid all oversized hair bows, head bands and hair clips in school to ensure your child remains not only smart and presentable but also to ensure their safety. We appreciate your support with this matter, thank you.

