



# Reception Newsletter

## Autumn 2nd half term



*'Only my best is good enough for me.'*

We have had a busy and somewhat different to normal half term, culminating in our Christmas activities. The children have coped really well with having the additional week at home and it was lovely to see the home learning that occurred. Thank you for supporting your children with this.



Our topic has been 'Why do squirrels hide their nuts?' The children have found out lots of interesting things about autumn, made some great observations and have made lots of things using autumnal objects. We then looked at the onset of winter and the changes that occur and, of course, Christmas.



The children have been doing really well with phonics. We can see how much they are learning through their progress in reading and writing. We hope the dinosaurs and their tummy strips have helped at home and made learning fun. The majority of the children can now write their name independently and their letter formation is developing well. They are all also becoming far more confident at recognising and using numbers.



**A FAIRY TALE START TO NEXT TERM!!**

**Come back to school dressed as your favourite fairy story character (5<sup>th</sup> January).** What character will you come as, as we start our new topic, 'Will you read me a story?' We will be reading and writing about lots of different fairy tales as well as making lots of fantastic things connected to the stories. With this in mind **could you please send in kitchen roll tubes-** we are going to turn them into castles! (We will quarantine them before use.)