



# Wintringham Primary Academy

## Reception Class Newsletter

Friday 15th November 2024

### Learning Theme – Space

The children are really enjoying their new learning theme 'Space'. Over the next couple of weeks, the children will be looking at the stories 'Whatever Next' and 'How to Catch a Star'. They will be focusing on creating story maps and using these to retell the story. They will continue to role play in the space centre. The children have been really enjoying this. They will also be learning lots of space facts, and will hopefully share some of these with you at home!

### Maths

In Maths, the children will be focusing on comparison. They will be encouraged to use the language of more than or fewer than. They will be looking at what makes a quantity the same or different. The children will be using a range of objects to support them with this. We will also be exploring the composition of numbers up to 5.

### Reminders

This half-term, P.E. will now be on a Wednesday afternoon. Please ensure your child has their P.E. kit in school every week for this. If your child has pierced ears, these must be removed for P.E.

Please can children only bring a book bag into school instead of a rucksack due to the size of their cubby holes? If your child needs spare clothes, these can be put in your child's P.E. bags.

### Reading and Phonics

The children have already learnt the following sounds:

**s a t p i n m d g o c k c k e u r h b f l f f l l s s j  
v w x y**

They have also learnt the following tricky words (words that cannot be decoded using their phonics knowledge):

**Is, I, the, put, pull, full, as, and, has, his, her**

Alongside this, the children are learning to blend these sounds together to read words. Your child will bring home a phonics reading book to read to you, as well as a sharing book for you to read to your child. Currently, your child's books may have no words in. Once your child has demonstrated that they can blend, they will move to reading a book containing known sounds. Please can you read with your child **five** times a week and **record** a read for each day in their reading diary. Please only record the phonics book sent home. Your child's reading books will be changed on a **Tuesday** and a **Friday**. On Friday, we count how many reads your child has completed and they will move up our reading chart. If your child has completed **5 or more** reads throughout the week, then their name will be entered into our weekly reading raffle.

**Please may we request that water bottles are not carried in your child's book bag, as, in our experience, this frequently leads to soggy books!**

Thank you for your continued support.