



**1<sup>st</sup> November 2019**

## Welcome to Reception's Newsletter.

Welcome back to school. We are now in the term when we start thinking about Christmas! You will know what part your child is going to be by the end of next week.

This week the children have learnt /j/ for jumping jack /v/ for vulture and /r/ for robot. The children have also been introduced to their first digraph /sh/. This is called a digraph as its two letters together that make one sound. We remind the children that they are special friends and only make the sound when together. We have sent these corresponding letter formation sheets home for you to practice. We have also added these cards to your child's reading records.

The next session for Open Phonics will be Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November. Please sign up at the classroom door.

In Maths this week we have been looking at estimating. The children have been given different amounts of Halloween objects and they have had to estimate (making a sensible guess) of how many there are before they count the amount to check to see if they are right. At home, see if they can estimate how many Halloween sweets they have left before counting them and then eating!

This week we have been focusing on Halloween and using this to help us with our learning. Next week we are going to be looking at Kippers Toy Box and link this to sock puppets and shadow puppets. If you have any old (clean) socks that you no longer need, please bring them in so we can change them into sock puppets. Thank you.

For Remembrance Day, the school are going to be making a remembrance garden. Each child will paint a poppy on a pebble to help remember this special day. We are asking each child to bring a pebble in (or a few more if you have spare) next week, so we can paint them in time for Monday 11<sup>th</sup>. Many thanks.

Please upload any learning that you do at home to Tapestry. It is lovely to see them continuing this at home with you. We also share these with their friends in class.

The children have been very good with the first Nursery Rhyme. We will introduce a new one next week.

### Dates for the Diary:

1. **15<sup>th</sup> November** - Children in Need
2. **4<sup>th</sup> December** - Class Trip to Truro Museum