



Welcome back to Raccoon class...



Our new theme is 'Celebrations' and we start with the story of 'Hovis the Hedgehog' this week, which is linked to Bonfire Night. We will also have some Halloween tasks available in the classroom.

The new letter sounds for this week are attached. Please continue to support your child by recalling the letter sounds from their keyring and reading the books sent home. If your child did not bring a keyring home, please let us know ASAP.



Congratulations to Osman and Elsie on receiving our star learner awards before the holidays.

Our maths focus is comparison this week; not just the colour or size of objects within a group, but also 'more than' and 'fewer than'.

ALL ABOUT CHRISTMAS! Please ensure that costumes are in school by Friday 18th November; they need to be labelled and on a hanger. If you need any assistance sourcing a costume, please let us know and remember to request any sibling tickets that you require from the office.

Every child in Early Years receives six sessions of 'Balanceability' this half term. The programme is run by a sports coach and is designed to help children gain the confidence and skills required to ride a pedal bike independently. Your child will need to wear trainers/sneakers to school on their designated day and bring their coat. Please see the dates overleaf.

BALANCEABILITY DAYS:

Ricky Raccoons: Wednesdays 2nd, 9th, 16th and 23rd November
Wednesdays 7th and 14th December

Rosie Raccoons: Friday 4th November
Thursdays 10th, 17th and 24th November
Thursdays 8th and 15th December

Phonemes we will be focusing on this week in school -



Pronunciation Phrase - ff

Open your lips a little; put your teeth on your bottom lip and push the air out to make the sound **ffff ffff**

Digraph (ff) -
two letters, one sound



Pronunciation Phrase - ll

Open your mouth a little; put your tongue up to the top of your mouth, behind your teeth, and press **llll**

Digraph (ll) -
two letters, one sound



Pronunciation Phrase - ss

Show your teeth and let the s hiss out **sssss**

Digraph (ss) -
two letters, one sound



Pronunciation Phrase - j

Pucker your lips and show your teeth use your tongue as you say **j j j**

We will be reading and writing words. *Can you spot segment and blend these words and spot this week's phonemes?*

huff

off

bell

till

mess

hiss

jug

jet

We will be reading sentences. *Can you spot any tricky words? Can you segment and blend the words and look out for this week's phonemes?*

A bell in a bed.

The jam is red.

I can huff and puff.

It is a mess!

We will be practising tricky words. *Can you spot the tricky part of the word?*

is

the

l

as

Look out for a separate invitation to attend a phonics workshop on Tuesday 8th November at 2.45pm at school.