

Friday 9th February

Dear Parents/ Carers,

This week we have taken part in Children's Mental Health week. The theme this year has been 'Your feelings matter.' During the week the children have all had a chance to share something that makes them happy. This has been special, uninterrupted time, where we have emphasised to the children that what they have to say matters because they matter.

During the week, the children have found out about Chinese New Year. They have enjoyed cleaning the roleplay area ready for the weekend celebrations, creating Chinese lanterns, painting dragons and listening to the story of the Chinese zodiac animals.

This week in handwriting, we have focused on the letters **n**,**m**,and **h**. Please login to Letter-Join and continue to practise these letters. When logging on, please ensure you select your child's class name so that the letters appear in the correct formation. In Reception we teach a print handwriting style which has no lead in lines and does not join up.

In forest school this week some of the children helped to create a birdhouse. The children learnt how to use a screwdriver to attach the sides together.



Show and Tell has now finished for this half term. details will be sent out next week in preparation for next half term.

Your child will have brought home their homework folder today. Due to half term, they will have slightly longer to complete this, the return date is Wednesday 28th February . New books have been assigned to Oxford Owl today. These will be available until next Friday.

Tapestry - thank you for sharing the practical activities children have been completing as their maths homework on mass and capacity. We have had lots of wonderful observations which really help to build a well rounded picture of your child.

We would love to see any videos of your child singing songs and rhymes that they know well, this could even include their own made up songs! It would also be great to see any dances that the children have learnt or choreographed themselves.

Best wishes, Mrs Webber, Mrs Undrell, Mrs Britton and the Reception Team