

Friday 16th December 2022





Dear Parents and Guardians,

Drawing on the themes of our anchor text 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' by Michael Rosen; we have been exploring 'Postman Bear' by Julia Donaldson. The children have immersed themselves in the story through role play. Our 'Postman Bear'-inspired class post office has been especially busy! The children have enjoyed writing cards and letters and posting them to friends and family. Activities such as these support the children to appreciate the real-world relevance of writing. You can provide your child with pur-

- poseful writing opportunities by supporting them to write:
- Messages to family at home
- Cards to celebrate special occasions
- Shopping lists
- Menus for dinner
- Letters to faraway family or friends (even better if they could write back!)

Importantly, supporting your children to become writers involves the development of many skills including fine motor skills. The development of fine motor skills supports children with pencil grip and control. You can support the development of your child's fine motor control through for example:

- Playing with Lego
- Threading and weaving
- Manipulating playdough, clay etc.
- Icing cakes
- Cutting and sticking



If you have any questions or feedback, please do not hesitate to speak with a member of staff.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Bell & Miss Murphy