

Reception Class Newsletter



Friday 26th January 2024



Dear Parents and Guardians,

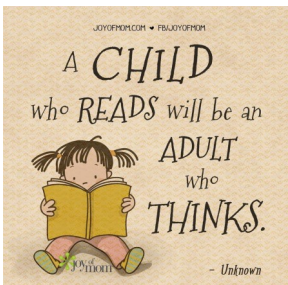


This week, we have brought our focus on our anchor text for this half term, 'Mr Gumpy's Outing' by John Burningham, into our provision. We have been having lots of fun retelling the story in our Mr Gumpy-inspired small world area. As part of our literacy lessons, we have been applying our phonic knowledge and skills to label the characters in 'Mr Gumpy's Outing'.



Following the children's interest in the animals that feature in 'Mr Gumpy's Outing', the children have been given the opportunity to take on the role of veterinary surgeons in our veterinary surgery role play area. Through role play, the children are developing their communication and language

skills. For example, through role play, we are supporting the children to connect one idea or action to another using a range of connectives such as 'because', 'but', and 'and'. The children are having lots of fun using their imagination to describe the events that led to their pet visiting the veterinary surgery.



Promoting children's communication and language skills, through role play for example, plays a major role in the development of their literacy skills. Communication, language and literacy are closely linked. Supporting your child to speak and understand language promotes your child's development as a reader and writer.

Thank you for your continued support
Mrs Bell & Miss Murphy