

# Reception Class Newsletter



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Dear Parents and Guardians,

In maths this week progressing from the concept of numbers up to 5, the focus is now on numbers 6, 7 and 8. This involves how each number can be represented and also adding one more, taking away 1, subtracting from these numbers giving one less. As previously mentioned, making strong foundations of basic number in EYFS (Early Years Foundation Stage-Nursery and Reception) means that as the children progress through school they have a solid base on which to build future learning in maths being able to quickly recall basic number facts.



Continuing with the theme of ways we can keep ourselves healthy, the children made simple oat biscuits to eat as a snack. The oats ensure the children stay fuller for longer as opposed to eating a standard biscuit and the addition of honey and raisins to sweeten rather than a lot of sugar is another change.

This also gave an opportunity to practise turn taking as the activity was within a group rather than as an individual and also to practise fine motor skills.

In "Happy Minds" the idea of "appreciation" has been developed. The children took part in discussions about experiences in their lives which they have appreciated and also gave reasons why they felt this.

The NELI programme has now started, you will have been informed if your child is targeted as needing this intervention.

Recent training highlighted to staff a BBC website for parents called "Tiny Happy People". This has many useful suggestions for parents of young children especially guidance on how to support language development at home.

Just a reminder to return all maths games etc after they have been sent home and check all pieces are inside as some are being returned with missing pieces.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Reception Staff