

# Reception News

**Autumn 1 Week 7 - 21st October 2022**

## What have we been learning?

- ◆ This week we have been learning the sounds **h, b, f** and **l**. We have had a lovely time looking at many things that have these sounds in, either at the beginning, in the middle or at the end of the words. We tasted some lovely things too; **Hula Hoops** (plain ones), white chocolate **buttons**, **Liquorice Allsorts** and chocolate **Fingers**. We have been reading and writing words that contain these sounds too!
- ◆ We have been we have been learning all about the 3ness of 3. We have looked at different groups of 3 objects and also the different way that 3 can be represented. Also, in Maths, we have been thinking about the words **large** and **small** (and also **larger/largest** and **smaller/smallest**). We have also been ordering real Autumn objects practically from the smallest to the largest.
- ◆ In our Understanding the World sessions we have been learning all about our **teeth** - talking about how to look after our teeth to keep them healthy, cutting out and sequencing pictures to show how we brush our teeth and learning about why some of us are starting to get wobbly teeth at the moment.
- ◆ Having learnt about how Christians celebrate Harvest, we have now been learning about how Jewish people celebrate with a similar festival called **Sukkot**. We then worked together to build our own Sukkah shelter in our Outside Area.

## Homework

### Maths

- I Spy number 3 - can your child find & draw a circle around all the different ways of representing number 3?
- Order some objects from the smallest to the largest (e.g. Lego bricks, crayons, toys etc) .You could stick in a photograph - we'd love to see how you ordered them!

### Literacy

- Continue to practise recognising the character names in the packets as sight words.
- Recap on all of our taught sounds. *Can your child identify them in their small brown book?*
- Practise forming **h, b, f & l** in their yellow books.
- **Please continue to make a comment about your child's reading every week.**

It was lovely to be able to speak with you all at our drop in **Parents' Evenings** this of this week and to be able to tell you all about how your child is settling into life here at Shincliffe. Thank you so much for making the time to speak to us & to look at your child's work.

## Time to Celebrate!

We would like to get a picture of the traditions, customs and celebrations your child participates in across the year - this is a huge help us with completing your child's EYFS Profile towards the end of their time with us. As such, we would really appreciate it if you could fill in one of the enclosed sheets for your child at appropriate times and send it back to us to include in their Learning Journeys. With Halloween and Bonfire Night both coming up in the next couple of weeks, we thought it might be a good time to send these home!

We are happy to provide more of these "Time to Celebrate" sheets during the course of the school year, should you need them.

Can you believe we are at the end of the first half term? The children have done so well; settling in, learning new routines and coping with long days and they have learnt so much in the seven and a bit weeks that we have been at school. Congratulations to them and to you as their parents/carers for such positive support. There are a few little homework jobs to do but it is just as important for them to enjoy lovely days out if they have the chance.

**Happy half term!**

Mrs Short and Mrs Silvester