Reception newsletter\*

# Friday 18th September

### **Mathematical development**

The children have been practising their counting skills. They have counted the number of bricks in the tower, beanbags on the parachute and spoonfuls of glitter in the mud kitchen. They have recognised numerals and ordered them on the washing lines.

In the shop they have recognised coins and explored the concepts of totals and change.

Outside they have used the vocabulary far, longer and shorter.

#### **Useful Information**

This term the children will need a white t-shirt and navy/black shorts for gymnastics on a Tuesday and games on a Wednesday.

Every Thursday the children will have the opportunity to take part in Indian drumming lessons.

Your snack money contributions over the past fortnight have provided cheese and crackers, tomato flatbread, sausage rolls, buttered toast, pitta bread and humus for the children. To keep healthy and happy the children need a bottle of water in school every day.

#### **English development**

We have made an amazing start to Read Write Inc. This week the children have learnt the sounds 'a', 'm', 'd', 's'. The handwriting phrases are shown overleaf so ask your child to teach you!

They have written many cards, postcards and letters to one another in the post office.

The children have enjoyed reading 'Supertato' and The Jolly Postman.

## **Busy learning**

The children have learnt about people that help us. In particular the fire service, using the vocabulary save, rescue, extinguish, dangerous.

They have explored the grounds for signs of autumn and made collages with natural materials.

They have also made vehicles with a variety of materials; experimenting with different ways of joining them.
The children have used their senses to explore bubbles, fragrances and sponges in the sensory tray.