

# WINHILLS Reception Fortnightly Newsletter

# **Busy learning**

The children have made an amazing start to their Reception year and are learning the routines and expectations as well as getting to know all of their new friends. They have started their first term at school with the series of Supertato books. They have loved sharing the five books and finding out what mischief the evil pea gets into as well as making their own characters with different media. The children have looked carefully at a variety of 'super veggies' and drawn detailed observational drawings using pastels. They have strengthened their fingers for writing by trapping evil peas with tweezers and threads. They have thought about healthy eating options and designed their own lunchboxes. Outside they have made the most of the superhero capes and masks. They used the blocks to create a tricky obstacle course that only superheroes could complete! The children enjoyed finding the numbers that the evil pea had stolen using chalked number lines on the playground floor.

### **Mathematics**

The children have spent the last two weeks recognizing the numerals to ten and beyond as well as counting groups of objects accurately. They have played games with dice and dried peas to practice their counting skills. They then learnt the language of addition by trapping evil peas in jelly and counting how many were trapped altogether. "There are three peas in there and 2 peas in there. There are five peas altogether".

# **English**

The children have been retelling the stories of Supertato using puppets. They then used their imaginations to help write speech bubbles and wanted posters for the evil pea.

The children have learnt six tricky words which they have learnt to read on sight. (me, my, mum, is, the, I)

In phonics they have learnt nine sounds (m, a, s, t, p, d, p, i, l) and can hear them as initial sounds in words. "m is for mummy, mouse and mop"

### Reminders

The children have zumba every Wednesday morning so make sure they have their t-shirt and shorts in school. We hope to be able to show you a performance soon.

Please write your child's name on everything they bring to school; I can't help you find missing items if they are not named.

As the weathers becomes autumnal your child will definitely need a warm, waterproof coat and a pair of wellies. The children love exploring the spinney and being outside.





