The Reception Round-up!

Some of the lovely things we have been learning this week:

So much to pack in this week... Diwali, Remembrance Day, starting Wonderful Wellies and finally 'Children in Need'!

The children have enjoyed the variety this week and I still think their highlight would be hot chocolate and a biscuit!



Tour of Reception via PowerPoint

Attached to this email is a PowerPoint tour of Reception, currently. This is because you can't come in at the moment, I thought it would be a nice way to help you 'picture' the environment your child is in each day. Maybe they could talk you through the PowerPoint and tell you some of their favourite things to do at school. I hope you enjoy it and find it useful.

What's going on this week/notices/information:

Some of the things the children might experience next week:

Next week we will be learning about Elmer, the patchwork elephant and completing lots of lovely crafts.



Next week the children will be learning two new sounds: **r** and **h**. We are focusing now on blending 3 sounds together, to read. E.g. c-a-t, p-i-n, or to write **cat**, **pin**. Please practice at home!

Sign of the week! This weeks sign has been 'happy' and next weeks will be 'sit down'.



Reading: If your child is yet to starting bringing reading books 'with words' home, please really work on your child reading the character names: **a**, **Mum**, **Dad**, **Floppy**, **and**, **Kipper**, **Chip**, **Biff**, **the**

Also, please remember that the expectation is for your child to read their books to you two or three times, not just once. The more they read them, the more fluent they become and confident. You could then cover the pictures to challenge them/ensure they can read the words without always relying on the pictures too. Also the discussion around the story, the characters, what went wrong in the story? How was it resolved? Can they look through and find the word 'the', 'Biff' etc **Lunch:** Next week we are going to stagger the lunch timings a little more as the field has become so boggy that it needs to recover a little! So Reception will have their lunch play outside on the playground from 11.30-12, come in, wash their hands and then eat in their classroom 12-12.30. (Whereas they have been eating 12-12.30 and then playing 12.30-1pm) **Writing:** Although we aren't focusing too much on teaching the pre-cursive handwriting until after Christmas, if your child is keen and motivated, please do practice their pre-cursive name writing (example in the front of your child's homework book)

and any letters we have learnt so far... <u>s a t p i n m d g o c k e u r h</u> then words!