

Reception Newsletter November 2009

Welcome back, we hope you all had a happy half term.

We are so pleased with the way the children have settled into school and have worked with enthusiasm on the first topics of Goldilocks and the Three Bears, Apples and Autumn. We also hope that you and your child are finding the morning arrangement of lining up outside and being brought into school by the teacher a happy and calm arrangement. There have been a few tears, but nearly all the children are already coming in happily each morning.

This term our topics are Fruit and Vegetables, The Little Red Hen and, of course, Christmas. As you may know, each Reception class performs a Christmas show for parents (afternoon of Friday 11th December). Your child will soon be allocated a part and some will have words to learn. We would really appreciate your help with practising their lines at home and trying to speak clearly and with lots of expression! More details of the Christmas Show including costumes and seating arrangements will follow soon.



Jolly Phonics

We are well over half way through the jolly phonics scheme and the majority of children are able to say the sound when shown a letter or two letter sound. Well done and please keep practising. Once you have finished a booklet, please remember to take it out and keep at home. Thank you.

Lunchtime

Please make sure you *always* fill in a dinner slip for the week and put it in your child's bookbag on *Monday morning*. Some parents think they only need fill one in if their child is having a hot lunch. This isn't true - *everyone needs to fill one in.*



Tombola Prizes

To round off reading week (w/c 9th November) we are having a whole school dressing up day. So on Friday 13th November please send your child to school dressed as their favourite story book villain or hero. Please also send in a prize that we can use on the tombola stall at this year's xmas fair or, if that's not possible, a 50p donation which will go towards buying prizes.

Reception Fund

Just a reminder for those who have not yet paid their reception fund money to try and settle up this week (£24 for the year or £8 for the term).

Magic Carpet Theatre Company

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 were treated to a brilliant performance of 'The Magic Circus' on Friday 23rd October. The storyline required the assistance of a number of children plucked from the audience and at one point we were hoping Mr Frankish would be called upon to demonstrate his uni-cycling skills! Maybe next time!!!!

Dates for your diary

- Week Commencing Monday 9th November - *Reading Week (a whole school event including a book fair and dressing up day - more details to follow)*
- Tuesday 17th November - *Friends of Bricknell Meeting 6.30pm (we are desperate for more members so please try to come along!)*
- Friday 4th December - *Christmas Fair*
- Friday 11th December - *Reception Christmas Show*
- Wednesday 16th December - *Reception Christmas Party*
- Friday 18th December - *Last day of term!*

