



# Our Week



Welcome back! We have started our new topic 'Sparkle and Shine' with a bang! Your child might like to tell you a little more about a few of these:

- We read "The quiet little firework" and wrote about what fireworks look like and sound like
- We learnt about Bonfire Night and read stories about celebrations. Some of us went to see some fireworks and a real Bonfire
- We wrote about our half term and really impressed our teachers by how well we are recognising the sounds in words
- In PE and Games we continued to practise our ball skills.
- In Phonics we continued to learn our sounds, Fred talk words and used our Fred fingers to write some words
- In Maths we looked at some 2D shapes and described their features. We went on a shape hunt around our environment
- In music we started learning songs for our nativity.
- In Funky Fingers we practised our name writing using sparkly pens, created fireworks by matching coloured buttons to the pictures, manipulated playdough to create fireworks, carefully coloured in bonfire pictures and used scissors to cut and follow lines
- We finished the week by eating some delicious edible fireworks

## Notes for parents

- Next week, it is Anti-Bullying Week. On Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November, children are encouraged to come into school wearing odd socks (with their usual uniform), to represent how we celebrate differences. The children will be taking part in other learning throughout the week, focusing on the theme of Respect.
- Today your child will be coming home with another reading book. They will have these books for a week and will be changed every Friday for now. Please read at least 3 pages of the book daily with your children. These books are used to help your children identify the sounds and with their blending. **Please could you remember to write a short note in their reading record book.**
- **They may need reminding of the sounds so here is a video to help you remember how to say them correctly.** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TkXcabDUg7Q>

- **Here are the set 1 flash cards your children will be learning.**  
[http://www.stpolycarps.surrey.sch.uk/docs/year\\_groups/eyfs-home/set\\_1\\_flashcards.pdf](http://www.stpolycarps.surrey.sch.uk/docs/year_groups/eyfs-home/set_1_flashcards.pdf)
- Next week we would like to do some junk modelling. Please bring in any recycling (especially cardboard boxes and egg boxes) that we could use to get crafty!
- **We have a large amount of milk left over each day, please check with your child if they would like to continue receiving milk and remove their name if need be**

**Dates for your diary:**

- **Odd socks day - Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November**
- **School Disco - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November 4 - 5pm**
- **Christmas Fair - Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December**
- We are very excited to invite you to Reception's performance of 'Barmy Bethlehem' on **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December**. Both classes will be performing together this year and the performance will start at 9.30-10.30 am. More information will be coming soon regarding costumes and songs to practise at home.

Thank you for your continued support.

The Reception Team