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Dear Parents,

We hope you had a relaxing half term break. We have a busy half term ahead of us with lots of exciting learning opportunities for the children. Our topic this half term is 'Light and Dark' and the children will be learning about firework safety and what different things happen in the day and at night, linking their own experiences of the night time. We will be reading the books 'Day Monkey, Night Monkey' and 'Funny Bones'. We have started the term off with an arts week across the school focusing on animation. Watch out for your child's animation, which will be posted on tapestry next week.

Please remember that we are very keen to see what the children are learning at home. Therefore, if your child does something for the first time, has a special experience or if they do something that makes you go wow, please add this to their Tapestry account. We would really like to share these moments with the children too and it all helps contribute to the learning journey that we need to have of your child.

Phonics

Every day after our phonics lesson we post on Tapestry under **memos** the learning from that day so that you can revise the taught sound with your child. This is important to do as we are learning a new sound every day. As your child learns and remembers the sounds they are taught they will be able to read more words and write independently. Thank you for your support with this.

Reading

Soon all children will bring home a reading book. For children who are not yet ready to segment and blend, this will be a wordless book. When we read with your children in school we will post an observation on tapestry informing you of what we did and what you can practise with your child at home. These observations replace a written reading diary and you should respond to the observation with your comments from reading at home.

All children have access to Bug Club. If you have not used this with your child yet, please watch the video on tapestry under memos, which shows you what this web site is and how it works.

*****Key dates coming up*****

Children in Need – Friday 13th November – the children are invited to come to school in their normal uniform and funky socks – for a donation for of your choice for Children in Need.

Reception virtual learning to learn meeting – on Wednesday 25th November we will post a video on Tapestry explaining lots of really useful information about how children learn reading, writing and maths in reception. Please take the time to watch this.

We are currently working on our Christmas plans for the children and will share these with you shortly.

Kind regards

The Reception Team

