



## Newsletter

### EYFS (Reception) Newsletter

Autumn Term

Date. 28.10.19

Welcome back! We hope you have all had a wonderful half term break. We have another action packed half term full of fun and learning.

To see a 'snap-shot' of what we get up to each week remember to visit our Class Blog-

<http://www.sandyhill.org.uk/website>

#### Dates for the Diary...

Parents evening- 31.10.19 & 06.11.19 -3.15-6.15 (book online)

Owl sanctuary-21.11.19

Nativity- 12.12.19 at 1:30pm

Sharing Learning Journeys- 18.12.19 at 2:30pm

Christmas break- 20.12.19-2pm finish.  
Christmas jumper day (non-uniform)

Everyone Loves a Baby! ... is the title to this year's Nativity for Reception.

Over the forthcoming weeks the children will be learning songs and dances for the extravaganza! Each child will have their part to play, please can you provide a costume for your child by no later than **MONDAY 25th NOVEMBER**.

Letters to inform you of your child's role should be attached. If you have any problems resourcing the costume please come and see a member of staff. The show will be on Thursday 12th December at 1:30pm. More information regarding tickets will be made available closer to the time.



If you have not yet activated your Tapestry account to see your child's online Learning Journey. Please see a member of office staff who will be able to send you an activation email.

Thank you

#### Snack Money

In the morning the children are provided with a healthy snack such as toast, cheese, bread sticks, crackers.

We ask for a voluntary contribution of £1 per week to support with the costs involved. This can be paid weekly, half termly or for the whole year. Please place money in an envelope with your child's name. It is £8 for this half term.

Thank you in advance!

# Learning Can Be Messy

Playing outside is so important. I run and jump and get lots of fresh air. Sometimes I might get grass or mud on my clothes.

We are learning all the time! Sometimes this means we get a bit messy!



I sometimes get pen and paint on my clothes! This is because I am developing creative skills and exploring lots of different ways of making amazing art!

Exploring with playdough and other messy play resources like foam or food helps me to develop fine motor control and build up muscles and coordination in my hands and fingers. I will need these when I learn to write.

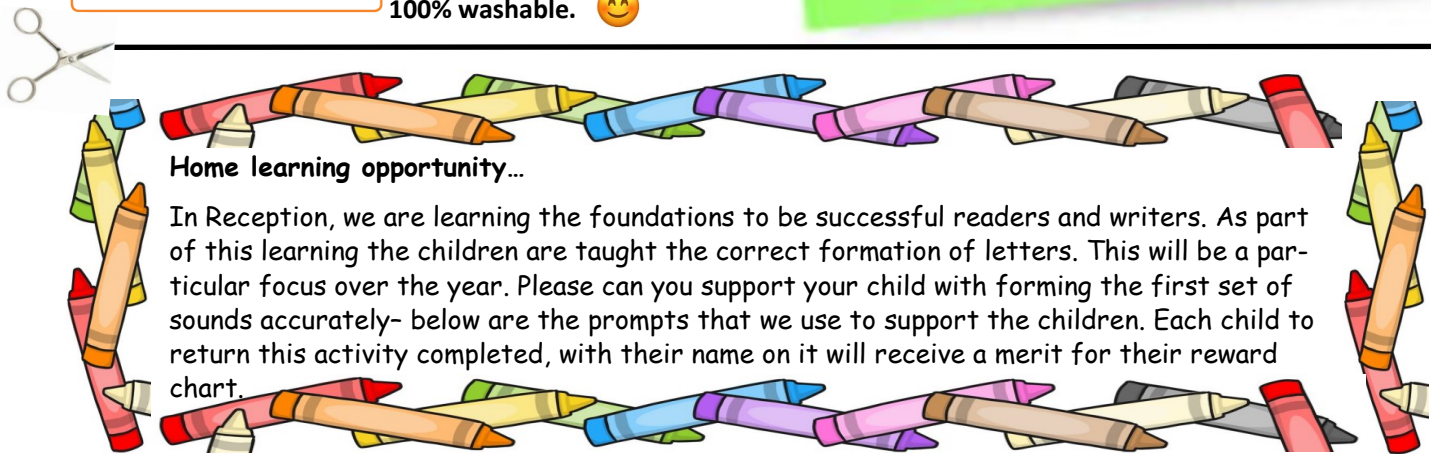
Using a knife and fork at lunchtime is tricky! Sometimes I get food on my clothes!

When I get messy, I have been showing curiosity, determination, persistence, imagination and confidence!

We apologise for any dirty uniforms— learning is not a clean job! Thank goodness children are 100% washable. 😊

With winter swiftly approaching, this half term's learning will be very topical! We have invited the Screech Owl Sanctuary in to give us a hands on experience to enrich our learning about owls. We will ask for a £2.50 donation to cover expenses— further details to follow.



**Home learning opportunity...**

In Reception, we are learning the foundations to be successful readers and writers. As part of this learning the children are taught the correct formation of letters. This will be a particular focus over the year. Please can you support your child with forming the first set of sounds accurately- below are the prompts that we use to support the children. Each child to return this activity completed, with their name on it will receive a merit for their reward chart.



Slither down the snake



Around the apple, down the leaf



Down the tower, across the tower



Down the plait and over the pirate's face



Down the body, dot for the head



Down Nobby and over his net

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