



# Kelvin Grove Primary School

## Reception Weekly Newsletter

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> 2025

### Thank you

We would like to say a big thank you and your children. They have made such wonderful progress over the past two terms.

We think all of the children did an amazing performance and we are so pleased that so many of you were able to join us to celebrate.

If you ever have any questions or anything is unclear please do not hesitate to ask your child's class teacher. We appreciate your support and patience at this very busy time of the year. Please bear with us whilst we go through our Tapestry admin and upload our observations from the past few weeks. We aim to start the new year fresh and ready to send a reception newsletter every two weeks.

### English and maths learning this week

We have explored the world through the books we have been reading this half term. We explored the warm waters of Trinidad, the chilly coast line of England and moved to the colder climate of the Arctic .

We have read Betty and the Yeti this week. The class have focused on list writing and revising our phase 2 phonic sounds. It is amazing to see how the children are applying their phonics and tricky word knowledge in their writing.



In maths, we have focused on adding 1 more and finding 1 less. The children have focused on orally sharing their answer and recording their ideas in a variety of ways.

We have introduced the children to number bonds to 5 and using the part, part, whole strategy. They have really understood the concept and are finding different ways to make the number 5.

### Phonics and Reading

The children have now learnt all the phase 2 sounds and tricky words. We will assess the children's knowledge this week.

We will use the information to support choosing your child's reading book. **Our reading groups are always flexible. You may notice that your child may have a book they have already read before, or may read the same book two weeks in a row, this is to continue to support their progress.**



We will not be sending home reading books this week. This will mean we can fully take stock and get ready for the new year.

**Please return any books you may still have and your child's folder.**

## Our learning next year

### We need you!

**Are you a real-life superhero? Could you come in and speak to the children about your job and what makes you a real-life superhero?**

In the past we have had people who work for the police, NHS, vets, supermarket, dental and post office. We are open to all professions who feel like they make a difference to people's lives. Please speak to your child's class teacher if you could spare 20 minutes in the last two weeks of term to speak to the children.

## Phonics

We have finished learning all of our phase 2 sounds and tricky words. Today we have sent out a copy of the these to look at with your child.

We will be starting our phase 3 phonic teaching starting with the sounds



We have also sent home a copy of the phase 3 sounds and tricky words. These can be used just for your information or to look at with your child.

## PE

We have had such fun in PE so far this half term. The children have shown such amazing listening skills and control over their bodies when using the large equipment.



## End of term information - Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December

We will be having an end of term Christmas celebration in our classrooms. Children are invited to wear their own clothes. We will be having party games and snacks.

Party snacks and treat donations are more than welcome. This could be crisps, juice, cups, cakes, cucumber sticks, veggie sandwiches or bread sticks for example.

**These must be nut free snacks.** If you child has any allergies or dietary restrictions please let us know.

