



# Reception Newsletter

Holybrook Primary School

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Dear Parent/Carer,  
Happy New Year!

We have already started this term with a bang! We all thoroughly enjoyed our trip to Harewood House and learned lots about our new theme 'Polar Regions' and the animals. I think the highlight for most of us was seeing the penguins! We will continue our learning in Literacy and all other areas of our curriculum by reading core stories such as 'Lost and Found', 'Penguins in the Fridge' and 'Poles Apart'.

We are currently learning Phase 3 following the Letters and Sounds program. You could support your child's phonic learning by rhyming, spotting letters/sounds on signs you see and reading daily with your child. Just ten minutes a day reading with your child makes a big difference!

We will also be reading a book called 'Polar Bear, Polar Bear, What Do You Hear?' to support communication, language and phonic skills.

In Numeracy, our core story is 'Ten Black Dots' which we will be using to begin our learning of subtraction, one more and one less and comparing amounts using mathematical language. We will still be counting to 20, practising recognising and forming numbers to 10 and beyond and using positional language. You could support your child by spotting shapes in the environment, comparing sizes of buildings/trees and spotting numbers.

Yours faithfully  
Reception Team

## Welcome back!



Please sign up to Tapestry. This is your child's online learning journey where you can read observations about what your child has been learning at school. If you need log in details, please see a member of the Reception team.

The children are enjoying collecting Dojos and earning prizes. There is a prize for every 50 Dojos earned!

PE will continue to be on **Thursday mornings**. Please ensure that your child has the correct PE kit.



The children are enjoying our new Raving Readers chart. Every time your child reads at home and brings their book to school, they earn a tick on the chart. For every 25 ticks, your child earns a prize! Even the adults are on the chart!

## Reminders



\*School reading books should be brought back to school **daily** and they will be changed on Mondays and Thursdays. This is so your child gets ample opportunity to become fluent when reading the book and become familiar with the words.

\*Homework—choose which tasks you feel you and your child are able to complete and return to school.

\*Please name **all** clothing including hats, scarves, gloves and PE kits.

\*As the weather is turning colder and wetter, please ensure your child wears appropriate clothing and footwear.

