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Reception Newsletter **W/C 15th January 2023**

Dear Reception Families,

The children have worked hard this week and thrown themselves into their learning for their first full week back in school! We read *The Naughty Bus* together and the children have loved sharing their own experiences of different types of transport.

Reading

In school, each child will read with an adult at least once per week. This could be the class teacher, teaching assistant, or both. Therefore, their book pack needs to be in the book bags daily. Please continue to hear your child read daily and also share books with them at home.

Learning

Our topic this half term is Travel and Transport. Thank you for sending in photos of your child on a form of transport. The children have enjoyed talking about them with their friends. If you have not yet done so, and are happy for your child's photo to be displayed on the classroom wall, photos can be emailed to the school office info.saxon@lumenlearningtrust.co.uk. Please include the class name in the subject box. Thank you.

Communication, Language & Literacy:

This week we will include the following in our learning:

- Read and share 'The Train Ride' and then ask children appropriate questions about the story.
- Writing about travelling on a train, visiting a train station and writing out train tickets.
- Continuing to practise sounding out CVC, CVCC and CCVC words when reading and writing.

Maths:

- We are continuing to count forwards and backwards to/from 20
- We are learning to find the number 'one less' than another number to 10, then 20.
- We have been working on our number formation and encouraging children to form their digits correctly.

Other Areas of Learning:

- PSHE: We will continue to discuss feelings and strategies to try to help regulate our emotions.
- Understanding the World: We are learning to understand the transport available in Shepperton.
- Arts: Making a train using junk modelling materials and learning to explore different techniques when joining materials.
- P.E: We are learning to develop overall body strength, co-ordination, balance and agility.



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Notices/Reminders:

- Next week the children will be making their own trains using junk modelling materials. **Please save any (small) boxes and plastic milk jug lids and send in for us to use. Thank you very much.**
- As we are outside in all weathers, please ensure that your child brings a coat, hat, gloves and scarf.
- Thank you for encouraging the children to practise writing their names independently. We have seen such an improvement and the children have been so proud! Please keep up the practise and remind children to use a capital letter **at the beginning only.**
- On Wednesday the children will be watching a pantomime! We have a group of actors coming to perform to all children in school. This is an exciting yearly event at Saxon and the children always enjoy the shows.
- On Friday all classes at Saxon will celebrate International Day. This enables the children to develop an awareness of other countries, languages and traditions. The children will learn about a specific country and culture and share their learning with the other Reception class.

Please do not hesitate to email or call the school if you have any questions.

Kind Regards,
Mrs Morley, Miss Glaves and Mrs Bright