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Dear Reception Families,

We hope our families enjoyed their Fireworks celebrations on Friday or over the weekend. Last week the children renacted a poem about fireworks and explored different vocabulary to describe them such as pop, fizz and bang and moved their bodies like fireworks in the outdoor area.

Learning
To mark the event of Remembrance Day, This week the children will be learning about poppies and the significance of remembering.

Communication, language and literacy
We will share and dicuss the book Alive with Poppies by Tomo Roberts.
-We will continue to practice the formation of the letters in our names.
-We will continue to practice the formation of the sounds we have learnt.
-We will write initial sounds in words and try to write some CVC words e.g. pin, sat, tap.

Phonics
We will recap our new diagraphs (two letters, one sound); and learn to recognise and write the new sounds, **v, w, x and g**



down to the bottom of the volcano and back up to the top



down and up and down and up the waves



from the top, across the box to the bottom. From the top again, across the box to the bottom.



down, around the yoyo and curl around the string

We will also learn to recognise some new tricky words; **and, has, his** and **her.**

Maths
This week, the children will build on their subitising skills and use the vocabulary of 'more than' and 'fewer than' to compare different amounts.

Other Areas of Learning:

- **UW (Understanding the World) –** We will provide pictures and photos of poppies and Rememberance Day events to encourage discussion and develop oracy skills.

- **PSED (Personal,social and emotional development)-** Our Jigsaw topic this term is 'Celebrating Differences'. This week, we will learn that being different makes us all special. We will also talk about including others when working and playing.

In addition, Friday is World Kindness day and we will share ways we can show kindness to others. We will discuss how showing kindness, or receiving kindness from others, makes us feel.

- **EAD (Expressive arts and design) –** We will recreate poppies in a variety of ways.

- **PD (Physical development)-** We will continue our learning about 'Body Management' and we will be learning to negotiate high and low apparatus travelling over and under. We will explore a variety of ways to travel over and under the apparatus.

Notices/reminders:

- Now that we are entering the winter months, please make sure your child brings a warm coat to school everyday, labelled with their name. If they are wearing winter accessories such as gloves, hats and scarves please make sure they are also labelled with their name. Please help your child to practice putting coats and accessories on independently. Below is a reminder of our favourite coat trick!



As always please come and see us if there are any concerns or questions, we are happy to help.

Kind regards,

Mrs Duxon, Mrs Lewis and Mrs Morley