

# Sylvester Primary Academy

## Early Years Newsletter

Spring Term- 10<sup>th</sup> January 2025



### Nursery Class

This week we have been very lucky to welcome new friends to class. They are all doing really well and are settling into nursery!

Our returning children have been great too! They quickly got back into routine and have been very kind and helpful towards their new friends. This week we made the most of the cold weather and frosty conditions and learned all about how ice is made and what happens to it when it gets warmer. We froze some toys in ice and had to work hard to rescue them! As it was too slippery to play outside in the snow we brought it into class! The children loved playing with it in the water tray making little snowmen and snowballs...even if it did make our hands very cold! In the craft area we finger painted snowy pictures, designed our own snowman and painted snowflakes using forks! Also we have played lots of group games to help learn the names of our new friends. A lovely first week back, well done everyone!

### Reception Class

We have had a lovely week welcoming all our Reception children back. We hope you all had a lovely Christmas and New Year, the children certainly had lots to tell us.

We have been straight back into our phonics lessons, recapping on all the sounds we have been learning and working really hard to apply them in our writing. This term we are having a big focus on our writing so any extra support the children can do at home would be greatly appreciated. Choose some simple words and say them to your child, ask them to sound them out and write them.

Here are some ideas of possible simple words (CVC =Words Consonant Vowel Consonant).

24 CVC Word Lists Short Vowels Word Cards			
-at Word family	-ad Word family	-ap Word family	-an Word family
bat	dad	cap	can
cat	lad	gap	van
fat	pad	lap	fan
hat	sad	map	man
mat	bad	nap	pan
rat	mad	tap	ran

In Maths we have been thinking about zero and exploring other language to help describe it e.g. nothing and none.

### Key Dates:

Please ensure you keep up to date with Class Dojo as the term progresses as their will be key dates shared on the Newsletter and whole school Class Dojo page. Thanks

Reminders:

Reception PE Days- Miss Ball's Class (Tuesday) Miss Tomlinson's Class (Thursday)

Just a reminder for Nursery and Reception, if you are in a position to be able to do so we kindly ask for £1.00 a week snack money. Thanks