

# Welcome to Reception



# 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2023

#### This week

We have been learning about the Gunpowder Plot and Guy Fawkes. The children were fascinated with this story. We talked about how we remember this story by having bonfire parties every year and fireworks.

The children have been painting and printing firework pictures and making model rockets.

We also learnt about how to keep safe at firework parties and how to use sparklers safely.

On Friday afternoon, we had our very own Reception Bonfire Party in the hall. We made a pretend bonfire, watched fireworks on the big screen, drank hot chocolate and ate our homemade sparklers! We had a fantastic time!

# **Phonics**

We have been learning the sounds h, b, f, l this week.

# Come and Do Afternoons

This week we had our first 'Come and Do' session where 2 parents joined us for the afternoon to do an activity with every child in the class. Our parents helped the children to make their own rockets in the modelling area.

We hope they enjoyed their session! If you haven't signed up for a slot, please see the sign up sheets outside each classroom and add your name.



#### **Dates for the Diary**

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November -Children in Need
Day (non-uniform day)

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> Dec – 1.45pm, Reception
Christmas Performance

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> Dec-Christmas Jumper
Day & Christmas Lunch

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> Dec – 9.30am, Reception
Christmas Performance

Weds 20<sup>th</sup> Dec – Last day of term
Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> Jan – Back to school

### Maths

This week we have been focusing on our counting skills. We have been practising counting so we either touch or move the object to ensure we have counted it correctly and said the number at the same time. We know the last number we said is how many there are in the group. We then moved onto counting things that we can't touch or move and used our listening skills to count the beats of a drum.