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## Reception Newsletter ~ Autumn Term

### Important Reminders

The Owls will  
be visiting  
Reception this  
October!

School closes  
for half term  
on Friday  
October 24<sup>th</sup>

Term ends at  
1:45pm on  
Friday 19<sup>th</sup>  
December

Reception will  
be performing  
their Nativity in  
December!

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### Our Learning this Term

Dear parents/carers,

In the first half term of Autumn Term, our topic is "**In My Manchester Home.**" This is the perfect topic to start our Reception year with as it provides us with exciting opportunities for learning that help us build our curriculum around our children. We will be looking at our homes, and we will also go on a walk around our local area which will be a brilliant adventure to share together! We will also be learning about some exciting landmarks in our city, such as Beetham Tower.

Our second half of Autumn Term will be "**Woodland Animals**" and our focus text is **Owl Babies**. We will be learning all about different woodland animals and their habitats. We will explore many different species of animals that hibernate here in the UK. We will build on these experiences using our Wildlife Camera to see what wildlife is right here on our doorstep and how our environment changes as Autumn arrives.

### Reading

We will send individual reading books at the end of Autumn 1 and we change our reading books **every Friday** so it is important that the children remember to bring their book bag to school each week. It will also really help your child with their reading by sharing a book with them every day.



In **Maths** we will be "using our eyes to subitise" as we learn to recognise groups, such as spots on dice, without having to count each spot individually.

In **Phonics** we will begin with phase 2 and follow the Little Wandle scheme. We will be building on our phase 1 skills to tune in to initial phonemes in words and learn how to write the corresponding graphemes. You can support your child with phonics at home by watching the videos here:  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-ZtjFIvA\\_fs](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-ZtjFIvA_fs)

We will send you information and key dates over Class Dojo so keep an eye out for our weekly posts. If you have any questions please just pop in and see us. We are always happy to help.

Thank you for your support.  
Miss O'Toole, Mrs Neil, and the Reception team.