



Autumn Newsletter



Welcome to Early Years at Berkeley Primary School! Each term we will send a newsletter that shows what we have been up to in Reception and Little Jesters. We will also give any key dates for your calendar.

It has been lovely to welcome lots of new families to our school and we think you will all agree that the children have been amazing. They have settled into their new settings well and we are looking forward to the year ahead.

Calendar Dates

Monday 8th November

Little Jesters Phonics Workshop (crèche provided)

Tuesday 9th November

Reception Phonics Workshop

Wednesday 10th November

Little Jesters Parents Evening

Thursday 11th November

Reception Parents Evening

Wednesday 1st December

Christmas Craft Afternoon with Parents

Monday 13th December &

Tuesday 14th December

Reception and KS1 Nativity

Friday 17th December

End of Term 2



Reception Highlights

It has been amazing to welcome our new Reception cohort into our school. The children have settled in brilliantly and we



are super proud of them! We have spent the term settling into school routines and getting used to our new classroom. Here are some pictures of the things we have been up to this term. We have been learning about our-

selves and our families. We have read stories including The Gruffalo and Room on the Broom. We have been finding out about the season 'Autumn' and have enjoyed exploring pumpkins. In Term 2, we will be learning all about polar animals and the Arctic. This will then lead us onto lots of Christmas fun in December!



Little Jesters Highlights

Little Jesters have settled back in really well this first term and have been telling us all about their summer holidays!

We have been making the most of the sunshine and dry weather at the beginning of the term and have been on bear hunts, autumn leaf hunts and exploring our outdoor environment.

This term we have been promoting British Values by voting for our "book of the week". We will be looking at a new story of the children's choice each



week. Bear hunt was our first story this term, we made our own bear hunts and enjoyed lots of sensory activities which the children have loved.

We have been looking at Autumn/Halloween stories throughout the term, and we have been taking parts in lots of fun activities related to these books including Autumn crowns, tree and pumpkin printing and potions.



Say Hello to Miss. Breen

You may have noticed Miss. Breen has joined our Reception class. Miss. Breen is completing her final PGCE placement for her teacher training. Miss. Breen will be in our class until December. The children have loved getting to know her already!