Dear Reception Families,

It has been really encouraging to see the children settling back into school life, playing happily with friends and focussing on work in class for longer periods of time. I want to re-assure you all, that the children are all taking big steps in their progress and we are very proud of their efforts and how well they are doing. They are awesome and so are you! So, do not worry.

This week in school we got back in the swing of writing our Monday news and the children wrote some lovely sentences about the things they love to do with their fabulous Mums. We also learned all about the 'ch' sound, looking at and reading words that start and end with this sound. We carried on with our Narrative Writing work this week, looking at what makes a good story. They could all tell me good stories have detail and exciting words. We listened to our girl readers this week. The joy we get from

seeing them start to read their first books is indescribable. They are all so proud of their efforts, and rightly so. (Please could you read at home and comment in their planners.)

In maths we have carried on looking at time. Mrs Field came into class on Friday and the children very proudly all looked at the clock and told her that it was half past 1. She was hugely impressed! Wow! We have also been trying to learn the order of the days of the week and they are getting better and better at this too.

In other subjects we have continued to look at special buildings, saying what we do there and how they make us feel. We have also looked at different weather and temperatures around the world, and we are starting to understand where the cold and hot places in the world are. In PE we did gymnastics and the children were brilliant at traveling in different ways and performing different holds.

They love performing and take part with real care and enthusiasm.

We finished our pig crafts, which came home this week along with Mother's Day cards. I hope all the Mums out there were treated like Queens (given the day off) and spoiled by those who love them.

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend and we will see you all bright and breezy on Monday.

Many thanks and stay safe,

Mrs Howard & Mrs Dolbear.

