

Hello Reception Families,

I am so sorry for the lack of a weekly letter last week but I have been report writing the last few weeks and that has taken up most of my time.

The last 2 weeks have really seen all the children make huge steps in their learning, and it has been fantastic to see! We have also very sadly lost Seba and Evelyn from our little family. Seba has gone with her family back to Saudi Arabia and Evelyn has gone to Sketty School. It is her catchment school, and as a place became available there and it is much closer, she has transferred there. We wish both girls and families all the very best and send our love to them.



We have had a fabulous couple of Mucky Mondays using our maths and literacy skills outside. We have been sorting 'Bossy' verbs and creating bar graphs and pictograms outside. We also went on a 3D shape hunt, taking pictures of objects we saw in and outside school. Mucky Monday is so much nicer in the warm sun!

In our Literacy work we have looked at our new text type - Instruction writing, and decided what made good instructions and what are 'Bossy' verbs. We have also created a fantastic step 1 of our Gruffalo Crumble, where we created our own monster. The ideas the children came up with were phenomenal and I have attached them at the end for you to see.



In our News/Independent Writing, we wrote about what we enjoy doing in class, what we think we are good at and what we want to get better at. We had amazing independent writing again.

In maths we have looked at data; creating bar graphs with cubes and interrogating them. We have also looked at 3D shapes and we are shape wizards!

In music, last week we listened to 5 pieces of scientifically proven 'calming' music. The children rated them in order of which they liked most to least and chose words to describe how the music made them feel. They are amazing at work like this and really listen well and appreciate the different styles of music they listen to. This week I decided to ask the children for their own personal favourite songs and chose 6. This week's choices were certainly not calming and gave the children the chance to get up and dance. There are some great little dancers and movers in the class! It is all in the genes apparently!!!

In the last 2 Workout Wednesdays, we have carried on with our tennis skills. The children have loved these sessions and I can recommend getting a racket and ball for at home, if you want to keep them happily entertained for hours!



I want to say what wonderful progress everyone is making in their reading. Each week it is a delight to share stories with the children and see how enthused they are about being able to read. This is all down to the support you give at home, so thank you, you are all



Finally, each child was allocated a House Team at the start of the year and each week points they get in class are added up and added to the House team they are part of. (There is a list of House Teams at the end) Over the course of the year Mrs Field totals them up with the prize at the end being a House Party for the winning team!!! This year's winning team was Rhossili and they will have a Celebration Party on top field this Friday, with pizza and treats supplied by school. We have decided to have individual class parties on the Friday also, and a message has been sent home asking for children, not in Rhossili, to bring a named plate of party food to school on Friday 9th July. All children can wear party clothes or non-uniform to celebrate also.

We only another 8 days left in school for the children until the end of the school year. Where has this year gone? It has been The BEST year ever for me with the most beautiful children. They have constantly amazed me, made me laugh and made me feel the luckiest teacher alive. But before I start getting too mushy, I will sign off and wish you all a wonderful weekend.



Many thanks and stay safe,

Mrs Howard, Mrs Dolbear & Mrs Brisley.

P.S. We have our final Fancy Dress Friday on the last day of school - Wednesday 14th July, so more of a Wear It Well Wednesday! The theme is Hawaii!!! Thank you for your fabulous support in this. The children and I have loved it and hope to continue it next year.

House Teams

Langland	Oxwich
Seba Mabli Evelyn Oliver Majd Seb Harrison	Dolly Sophia Anais Hugo Theodore Rhodri Inyene
Port Eynon	Rhossili
Hollie Emma Zoey Sonny Charlie Jackson	Emily Ella Esme Joshua William Alby Sam

Our Monster Description

It has sharp, pointy fangs.

It has giant, deadly talons.

It has long, thin, hairy legs.

It has poisonous, green, slobbery boogies, dripping from its nostrils.

It has scary, spherical, red eyes.

It has a brown, stinky, dribbling tongue.

It is covered in blue, bumpy, hard bark.

It has vast, silver, beating wings.

