

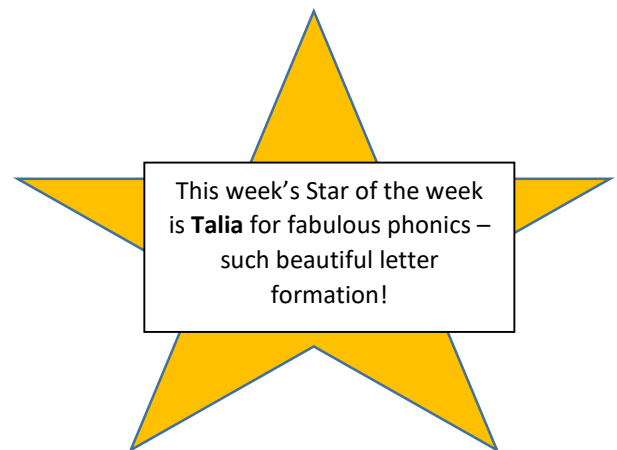
Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2020

**Newsletter 2**

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is hard to believe that we are already in week 6 of term 1. I don't know where the time is going – I am sure that you agree! The children in Butterfly class continue to thrive and it is great to see their personalities coming out more as they become more confident in the environment. We have been particularly impressed with how well the children come into school in the morning and organise all of their belongings in the classroom.

**Star of the week!**



**Harvest**

This week, we have enjoyed learning about being thankful and as you will hopefully see on tapestry, the children baked bread and gave thanks. The children really enjoyed the pumpkin soup on Monday and we talked about Harvest then. Please see the pictures on Tapestry and if you are having any problems accessing it, please let me know.



**Church Links**



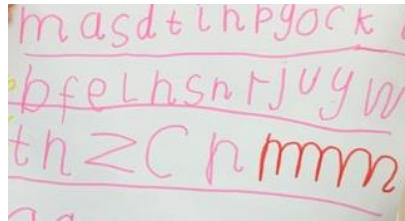
This week, I met with the Rector of St John's Church in Keynsham and we discussed the possibility of having some virtual collective worship sessions led by the Church in light of the current restrictions. It is great to have a strong link with the local church and we are looking at ways to enrich this link throughout the year. The church and diocese will be part of our work when we start to think as a community about the Vision and Values for Two Rivers CofE primary school.

### **Reading books and phonics**

The children are really enjoying choosing from a range of high quality books in the classroom and are keen to share them with adults in school. Please can you ensure that reading books are kept in children's book bags/reading wallets each day so that we can share their books with them.

We have now learned lots of the set one sounds and are working on reading 3 letter words with those sounds in. (e.g mat, sat, sad, mad) In the next couple of weeks, I will be sending out some phonics information virtually but for now, you may find the following [website](https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/reading/reading-schemes-oxford-levels/read-write-inc-phonics-guide/) useful

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### **Collecting children after school**

Thank you so much for understanding and following the social distancing guidance – it feels strange talking to you with a mask on but it is in all of our interests.

Can I please request that when collecting children at the end of the day, parents wait **in front** of the classroom/building. This will make it easier for us to see you and dismiss children quickly. It also allows more room for you to socially distance. Can I also request that parents refrain from coming up the ramp to the building – we can come to the bottom of the ramp if needed. Late arrivals must report to Mrs Batchelor, our school administrator, who is based in Chandag Junior school, across from Two Rivers.

### **Individual Photographs**

Please return photograph envelopes by Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October if you wish to purchase. The perfect Christmas gift for your families!

### **Coats and waterproofs**

We are encouraging all children to have waterproofs and wellies in school so that we can still go outdoors in wet weather.

### **Name writing and numbers**

In class at the moment, we have been working hard with our name writing, particularly with letter formation. We have also been learning to form numbers correctly and the children often come into the classroom in the morning and listen to [this song](#) whilst practising their numbers on a whiteboard (Just the digits, not the words!)

### **Tapestry**

I have enabled the "All about me" page on tapestry which you are welcome to complete if you feel that you have any additional information you would like us to see. If you are having any problems accessing Tapestry, please do let us know.

Thank you so much for all of your support so far, your children are all fantastic!

Have a restful weekend (I am hoping that the sun will shine!)

Mrs Carver