



HEADTEACHER: Mrs Rosalind Bennett **CHAIR OF GOVERNORS:** Mrs Anne Howarth

2nd October 2025

Dear all,

Another fantastic week in Reception has flown by! I cannot believe the children have only been with us for five weeks, they have settled into school brilliantly. The children have been busy mark making in toothpaste, designing junk model vehicles and using tweezers to rescue autumn objects from the spiders web. It is wonderful to see how engaged and enthusiastic the children are about our learning activities. On Wednesday we had a fantastic afternoon exploring how we change over time; the children reflected on the skills they can do now that they could not do as a baby e.g. walking, talking, getting dressed. We then had a wonderful time playing 'guess who' with the baby photos. Thank you all very much for sending in the photos to help create a lovely activity for the class. The children were very surprised and confused to see a picture of me as a baby!

In phonics this week we have learnt the sounds ck, e, u and r. The children were very excited to learn our first digraph (two letters that make one sound). We have also introduced the children to two tricky words, the and to. These words cannot be decoded using phonics which is what makes them tricky. In maths this week we have explored patterns. The children have been using a range of mathematical resources to copy, continue and create repeating patterns. I was so impressed to see lots of the children creating their own repeating patterns in different areas of the classroom.

Recycling Materials: Next week the children will create a junk model vehicle. To support our learning, please could we have any unwanted clean recycling e.g. boxes, newspaper, plastic bottles in school by Tuesday. Thank you.

Term Dates: An enormous thank you to all the families who prioritise good attendance - your support makes a real difference and is greatly appreciated by every member of our team. When children are taken out of school during term time, it not only affects their own learning but also impacts on our ability to provide the very best education for all the children in our care. Our [term dates](#) are published well in advance, and we kindly ask that family holidays are planned outside of school time. Working together in this way helps every child thrive and we are grateful to all those who support us in making attendance a priority.

Trip: We have organised a very exciting trip for the children in December. This letter is available on the office page of our website [Flyford Flavell Primary School - School Office](#)

If there are any questions at all, please come and see us.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

Mrs Bown

