KILMORIE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Reception

Weekly Learning Letter

Friday 6th November 2026

This week in Reception:

We have welcomed the children back after their first holiday. We are super proud of how they have transitioned back to being at school, they are enthusiastic, ready to learn and remembering most of their class and school day routines!

We are pleased to announce that the **Reception toilets have been refurbished** and are looking fabulous! We have reiterated toilet routines to the children with an emphasis on flushing the toilet and washing hands afterwards – if you could echo this message at home, we would appreciate it!

This week we have been learning about this **spooky season**, **fireworks** and **Diwali**! The children have been engaging with lots of activities like creating firework pictures, drawing pumpkins, playing with a spooky small world and looking for signs of Autumn in the Wild Garden.

Thank you for all the voluntary contributions that we have received so far. This money enables us to buy consumables such as ingredients to make playdough.

Reading:

- **This week** we have carried out our phonics assessments which we do every 6 weeks. The children will not bring home a book this week.
- **Next week** your child will receive a book that is suited to their reading level, they will bring this book home in their bookbag on **Thursday**.

Please note: Bookbags will come home on Thursdays and should be brought in on Mondays.

Daily Class Timings	Outside Days
Lions 8.50am - 3.20pm	Tuesdays - Lions
Tigers 8.55am - 3.25pm	Wednesdays - Bears
Bears 9.00am - 3.30pm	Thursdays - Tigers

Book bags:

Book bags are now available to purchase via Arbor. The cost is £6 per bag, Once paid for these can be collected from the office. These bags are ideal for carrying reading books, school books and reading journals safely between home and school. Please note that purchasing a school book bag is entirely optional.

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Phonics

This week in Phonics the children have been revisiting the sounds they have already learned s,a,t,p,i,n,m,d,g,o,c,k,ck,e,u,r,h,b,f,l.

At home go on a sound hunt and ask your children if they can find any objects that begin with these sounds (**sink, tap, mug, door, car, hat, ball, flower**)

The children have also reviewed the tricky words **I** and **is** and **the** tricky words are words the children learn as a whole word, they cannot be sounded out.

Maths

This week the children have been learning about Patterns. They now understand that a repeated pattern is something that happens again and again and again. They have practised making repeated patterns with objects, they worked in pairs to create their pattern. At home you could do this with different sets of objects and encourage your child to create their own pattern.



Stay and Play

Our first Reception Stay and Play is fast approaching (**Friday 20th November**) The children will relish the opportunity to share their space with you and show you where they like to play and learn!

For Lions, Tigers and Bears, the Stay and Play is 8.50-9.45am. Families are welcome to stay and play for however long they can, you can leave before 9.45 if you need to.

We ask that you exit **only** via the back gate located on Elsinore Road.

We will hold a Stay and Play twice every half term. If you cannot make it, please don't worry but we would appreciate you preparing your child in advance.

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Important Dates:

- **Height and Weight checks for Reception -** Tuesday 17th November
- **Rec parents Stay&Play PSED focus –** Friday 20th November 8.50-9.45am
- **Educational Visit to St George's Church -**
  Monday 30th November 10am – Bears Class
  Thursday 3rd December 9.30am – Tigers Class
  Thursday 3rd December 10.30am – Lions Class
- **Rec parents Stay&Play Fine Motor focus –** Friday 11th December 8.50-9.45am

Home learning ideas:

At school we encourage independence whenever possible! At home:

- Help your child to practise putting on and zipping up their own coat.
- Help your child to practise using a knife and fork at mealtimes, they could also help lay the table choosing the right number of cups, plates and cutlery for the number of people!

We need your help!

We are creating some displays with family photos inside of our classrooms. We would love to have a photo of your child and their family that you are happy to have displayed. If possible, we would love a hard copy that we could just put straight up! Alternatively, please email your photo with FAO: your child's class to info@kilmorie.lewisham.sch.uk please note these photos will be staying up all year.

Reminders:

If your child is attending WRAP or an Enrichment club, please remind them that they will be attending that day to help them with the transition between the school day and after school provision.

Please provide a set of **spare clothes** for your child's peg in a separate bag. A **water bottle** for your child is also very useful and please do label all of their belongings with their **name**, thank you!

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School website

Please do visit our website, you can find details of forthcoming events on the calendar (& you can subscribe to your child/ren's year group so it will auto update your calendar), as well as photos of learning activities including educational visits in the photo gallery, read all about recent events and sporting achievements in the school news section and much, much more!

