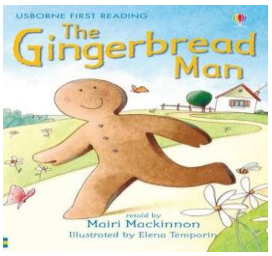
KILMORIE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Reception

Weekly Learning Letter





Friday 13th November 2026

This week in Reception:

We have begun exploring the story of The Gingerbread Man! We have discussed the idea that this is a 'journey' story and that there are many different versions of it. We have had class discussions around the similarities and differences in settings and characters. As a class we have learnt a version of the story together in the style of Talk for Writing (T4W) using actions and a picture storymap to help us recall and retell the story. In our choosing time we have done activities linked to the story such as making and creating gingerbread men with playdough and decorating gingerbread men using craft materials.

On Wednesday we also marked Remembrance Day. We watched the CBeebies Remembrance Day Rabbit animation and had a class discussion around the significance of the Poppy as am emblem to remember, show respect and say thank you to the brave soldiers who have, and do, work hard to keep our country safe. We also took part in the whole school's 2minute silence.

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** 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

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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.

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.

Phonics

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

They have also learnt the new phoneme **j** and the digraphs, **ff, ll** and **ss**. As well as this, they have also learnt the new tricky words **put**, **pull**, **full** and **as.**



ff **ll** **ss** **j**

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Maths

In our number time sessions this week we have been recapping recognising, ordering and counting to 5. The children have played number games such as: 'Find me 5...' Which has involved the children collecting and counting 5 objects and thinking about whether there is still 5 if the objects are different. 'Tap, Tap, Tap' where one player calls aloud a number and their partner then has to tap the matching number card and building and ordering number towers. Please encourage your child to continue using these skills by spotting numbers that you see around and collecting, ordering and counting their toys or number cards.

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
- **Saturday 28th November – Christmas Fair**
- **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.

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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!

