

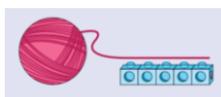
## Reception Newsletter

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

In Literacy this week, we have been recapping the 2 and 3 letters sounds and practised finding these sounds within words. We have revised the other tricky words taught so far. We have been practising reading longer words using the chunking method e.g. 'pattern,' 'helmet' and 'fantastic.' In our handwriting sessions, we have been practising forming the letter S.

In Numeracy, we have been exploring objects and introduced the language of length to describe them. We made comparisons between short and long objects and learnt that the 'length' is the distance between two points. You could ask your child to find a collection of short and long objects at home and sort them into two sets to compare.



During our Enquiry Learning sessions this week, we have been learning all about one of our school rules '**staying safe**' and how we keep ourselves safe at home, at school and when we are out and about. We learnt all about first aid, what we have in our first aid kits, how to apply a plaster and what to do in an emergency. Next week we will be learning about Mother's Day and finding out why some people celebrate this special day and where Mother's Day comes from. We will find out about how Mother's Day was celebrated many years ago and how other countries celebrate Mother's Day differently. We will then be creating portraits of our mums or people who are special to us. Please could a photograph of either mum or someone else who is special to your child be emailed to us at [newsletters@woodhouse.calderdale.sch.uk](mailto:newsletters@woodhouse.calderdale.sch.uk). This will help your child create their Mother's Day portrait.

We have enjoyed sharing our class reader this week '**We're going on a bear hunt.**'

*We're Going on a Bear Hunt*  
Michael Rosen Helen Oxenbury



Here are some of the words that we have been exploring from our class reader this week.



This week's 'Talking Topic' is:



I can tell you all about how to stay  
safe

This week's word of the week is: **Cautious**

Thank you to Stanley's mum who was our Mystery Reader this week. The children waited in anticipation to find out who their Mystery Reader was and thoroughly enjoyed listening to her story. We can't wait to find out who it will be next time?

**Date for your diary:**

**RM Open Door – Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2:30-3pm**

**RV Open Door - Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2:30-3pm**

Many thanks

The Reception Team