



The News at Derwentwater

Headteacher: Venessa Nicholas



Friday 7th February

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week has been an exciting week for Reception. We have been doing lots of research about penguins and learning all about Antarctica.

- In Maths, we have been learning about addition. We have been adding two amounts together and writing simple number sentences.
- We have been making non-fiction books about penguins.
- We really enjoyed leaving water outside overnight and returning to school in the morning to see it turn to ice.

**Ideas for your Proud Book:**

You could draw a picture of a penguin and include its features (beak, feathers, feet, tail).

or

You could research penguins and write down the information you have found out.

or

You could write some addition number sentences.



This week our stars of the week are:

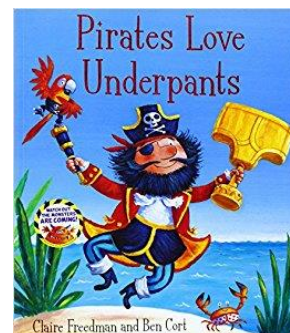
- Turtles – Ibrahim
- Dolphins - Hugo

Week Beginning 10<sup>th</sup> February

**Focus Text: Pirates Love Underpants**

**Key Vocabulary**

pirate	Ship	ocean
Cutlass	treasure	map
parrot	Jolly Roger	compass



**Ideas for home**

- Junk modelling with a purpose in mind.
- Painting and mixing colours and talking about your picture.
- Counting backwards from 20.
- Teen number recognition.
- Visit the library and borrow some books about penguins and Antarctica.

**Important information**

- Donations - If any families have boxes, cartons, yogurt pots (cleaned) that they could collect and bring into school we would greatly appreciate this for our making areas.
- Resource Donation - We are asking for a donation of £2 per half term or £10 for the year from each child to cover the cost of cooking supplies and other non-reusable resources (e.g. bread for making sandwiches or flour and oil for making playdough).
- Winter Uniform - Please ensure your child is wearing appropriate clothes for school each day. Reception learning happens both inside and outdoor daily and children need to have hats, scarves and gloves to access the outdoor learning area.

Have a great weekend!

**The Reception Team**

Miss Gibb, Miss Cornford, Mrs Joseph, Mrs Bachoo and Miss Paxton

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