

# Reception Parent's Information

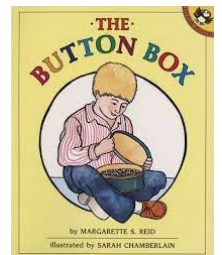


Friday 8th October 2021



The children have continued to enjoy sharing the Colour Monster story this week. We have spent some time discussing our feelings, when they may change and why. We have also talked about how we can help each other when maybe we are feeling a bit sad (blue), scared (black) or angry (red). The children enjoyed making their own colour monster by painting an old cardboard box in our outdoor area and taking photographs of each other representing different feelings with facial expressions.

In Maths this week, we have been sorting and comparing different objects. We read and enjoyed the story Button Box and then looked at our own box of buttons. We tried to find two buttons that matched, discussed what was different and sorted them into the same colours, size, shape and by how many holes. The children also helped their teachers sort all the muddled socks into pairs and were fantastic at playing a memory matching card game. What a busy week!



In phonics this week we have learnt the phonemes **ck, e, u, r**. The children have begun to blend some of the graphemes we have already learnt (**s, a, t, p, i, n, m, d, g, o, c, k**). We are so proud of the progress the children have made in phonics and they have all been very excited to take home their 1st school reading books this week. Please make sure you ensure that they bring their books into school everyday. Thank you.

## Reminders/Dates/Requests

- Reception attendance is very important to ensure our children go on to become successful life-long learners.  
**'Even when you're very small, good attendance makes a BIG difference'**  
We appreciate that children will have illnesses from time to time and children may need time to recover, but infection doesn't always mean that your child has to be off school. Please contact reception staff if you are unsure and would like some advice.
- Please ensure the children bring their reading book to school everyday, so that we can read with them in school too. We encourage the use of book bags, if your child does not have one and you would like to purchase one you can do this at the school office.
- Our class email address is [receptionstaff@stbenedicts.npcat.org.uk](mailto:receptionstaff@stbenedicts.npcat.org.uk) please use this if you want to contact us or share any news with the class.