



“With Christ in our hearts, together we grow.”

Reception Parent Planning Week Beginning 9th December 2019

Reception Nativity Performance

Friday 13th December 2.15pm

A Miracle in Town!

The waiting is nearly over! The Reception Nativity performance is nearly here!

Thank you to those who have already sent in their child's costume and if you haven't, please make sure it is at school on Monday.

Should you be having any difficulties organising a costume please speak to Mrs Clark as soon as possible.

The children are singing the songs very well and I am sure you will all enjoy the performance.

We will be settling the children on the stage before we let parents and carers in to the hall, so please be patient, we will not be opening the doors until 2.10pm and we need to get you settled in your seats as quickly as possible. Space is limited and once the chairs are full there will be standing room at the back of the hall.

The performance is expected to last about 35 minutes. The children will be taken back to their classrooms to get changed and will be released to parents and carers at the usual time of 3.10pm.

See you on Friday for a 2.15pm start!

Literacy

This week the children will be having a go at writing about the Christmas Story and drawing some illustrations. We will be looking at the key words of Christmas, writing wish lists and making Christmas cards and decorations.

Writing Christmas cards to their friends is a very good way to practice writing their own name and those of others. Writing can be a very tiring activity so it is best to do a couple of cards every now and then rather than all of them at once. Model writing your cards in front of your children.

Religious Education

Through our Nativity performance and our RE lessons the children now know the story of the first Christmas very well and most children can tell the main points of the story.

We will also be looking at how children and their families celebrate Christmas around the world. If your family has traditions from other parts of the world, please write a brief description and send it in to school with your child. We will use the information in our RE lessons this week.

Letter Sounds of the Week

We are now learning Phase 3 phonics whilst still revising all phase 2 phonics.

ar – start the car

or – shut the door

ur – nurse with a purse

Homework – Every Friday we will be sending home a piece of reading homework that will help your child with letter recognition, formation and the skill of blending sounds together to make words. At this stage your child will need you to do a lot of modelling, they are not experts yet and should be praised for 'having a go'. Please make this a fun activity that you do together. It does not need to be returned to school.

Maths

This week we will be revising the learning that we have done this half term. We will be practising the skills we have learnt, such as using a five and ten frame, writing number lines, spotting missing numbers and the concept of 'one more' and 'one less'.

We will also be learning about time. We will talk about different times of the day, the order in which events happen and the things we do at these times. Sequencing is a very important mathematical skill.

We Wish You a Merry Christmas!

This is the last Parent Planning of 2019. Can you believe it?

It has been a long term and the Summer seems a long way off. The children have worked so hard and we, the teachers, are very proud of them and all they have achieved.

All of the staff in the Early Years team would like to wish you and your families a peaceful and fun filled Christmas.

Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to a wonderful 2020.

Remember!

Christmas Lunch at school
Thursday 12th December

Christmas Jumper day Friday 13th
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