

Reception News

Autumn 2 Week 5 - 8th December 2023

What have we been learning?

- ◆ This week we have been recapping all of the graphemes (sounds) and tricky words that we have been learning during this term - we've learned so much in our Phonics sessions since September!
- ◆ We have thinking about the **6ness of 6** this week. We have looked at different groups of 6 objects & also the different ways that 6 can be represented. We have also been working hard on our counting this week. We have played some new games on the big whiteboard in order to practise our 1:1 counting.
- ◆ We have been using the small world Nativity figures to help us to retell the story of the First Christmas from the Bible. We are very familiar with this story now after all of our Nativity rehearsals! We have been working so hard & we can't wait to perform "**Wriggly Nativity**" for you next week.

Our "**Elf Workshop**" role play area has opened this week. It has been great fun to dress up as Santa, Mrs Christmas or the elves! We have also loved wrapping up the cardboard boxes as presents and writing the gift tags independently.

We have also enjoyed reading some Christmas stories too.

Homework

Literacy

- Ask your child to complete the Phonics sheet in their yellow books, by working as independently as possible.
- Sight words & Sounds - please re-cap all of the sounds in the brown sound books to check that your child can recognise them all independently (*especially the digraphs qu, ch, sh, th, ng & nk*).
- Reading books - Please support your child with reading their new reading books, encouraging them to sound out and blend unfamiliar words and to read tricky words by sight. **Please remember to make a comment in your child's Reading Diary every week, thank you.**

Maths

- **I Spy number 6** - can your child find & draw a circle around all the different ways of representing number 6?

Please note...

It is our school's "**Christmas Jumper Day**" and Christmas lunch on Thursday of next week, the 14th of December 2023. All of our children (& staff!) are invited to wear a Christmas jumper on that day. If your child doesn't have a Christmas jumper, then they can wear Christmas colours like red or green instead. All other items of school uniform must still be worn though. Children are invited to donate a suggested amount of £1. The collected donations will then be sent on to the "Save the Children" charity.