

Reception News

Autumn 2 Week 6 - 15th December 2023

What have we been learning?

- ◆ We have been learning to write the number 7 correctly this week with the help of “Sir 7” from Ten Town. We have also been practising our recognition of numbers (up to 10) - we did so well!
- ◆ We have been recapping all of the single letter graphemes (sounds) and tricky words that we have been learning during this term - we've learned so much in our Phonics sessions! - and we have been reading captions and simple sentences together. Our teachers were so impressed with our blending!
- ◆ This week it has been “**International Christmas Week**” in school. In Reception Class we have been thinking about how Christmas is celebrated in France. We listened to some French carols and learned how to say the names of the different characters from our Nativity.

Christmas Jumper Day!

Wriggly Nativity!

A huge thank you to the children who have worked so hard making our Nativity such a success! We are so very proud of them all and know that they worked hard both at school and at home (thank you parents and carers!!).

We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did. Thank you so much to everyone who came to watch both performances and for your lovely comments to us afterwards.

Homework

Literacy

- Ask your child to complete the Phonics sheet in their yellow books, by working as independently as possible.
- Tricky words & Sounds - Practise quick recognition of taught sounds & tricky words, using the brown sound books & the flashcards sent home in the plastic packets.
- Reading books - Please support your child with reading their new reading books, encouraging them to sound out & 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. We really do value your comments.*

Maths - Practise forming “**Sir 7**” in the yellow “Between Us” book & on the “Ten Town” website.

A polite request...

Please would you continue to allow your child to practise dressing and undressing themselves independently whenever there is time. (*We do realise that it can be hectic getting ready on school mornings, so maybe weekends or during the Christmas holidays might be best for this?*). It is part of the Reception curriculum that the children need to be able to manage their own personal needs, including dressing & undressing.

Whilst we will always support the children if they are finding something tricky, at this point in their Reception year, we now need them to be able to do things like -

- Noticing if their shoes are on the wrong feet and being able to swap them over.
- Turning their clothing the right way round if it is inside out (e.g. jumpers or cardigans).
- Fastening and unfastening the zip on their school coat.