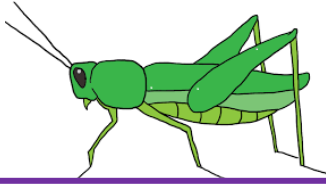


Reception Newsletter



Friday 9th December 2022

Our golden promises

We promise to be...

Respectful (look after everyone and everything), **Friendly** (share, play together and be happy) **Thoughtful and caring** (be kind, listen to others and use good manners) **Enthusiastic** (to be an excited learner)

This week

The children have had a great time performing the Christmas story for parents and carers as well as the children in preschool, year one and year 2. The reception team are very proud of them and how much they have learnt in this first half term of school. Reception also had the opportunity to watch the KS1 Christmas performance and enjoyed being the **audience**. We have been making some Christmas craft in COOL time, using our **fine motor skill** of cutting and folding. We have also been thinking of an idea for our Christmas cards and how we can use **technology** to create them. A kindness elf has been making some special deliveries to Reception through the week - a Christmas tree and some decorations. This elf has really inspired many of the children's imaginations and they have been drawing and writing to him.

Phonics this week

Phonemes **-j,v**

Common exception words (tricky) – **to, the, no, into, go, is, his**

High frequency words: *and, got, get, dad,*

Ideas for home

Sing some Christmas songs together. Listen to carols. Find out more about these traditional songs at this time of year. Can you learn the first verse of 'Away on a manger'?

Things coming up...

14.12 – Christmas lunch - Butterflies only.
Christmas jumpers.

16.12 - last day of term. Christmas jumpers and Christmas parties.

Next week

Lots of Christmas festivities next week! We will be writing the insides of our Christmas cards – using and applying our phonic skills so far to be able to write them independently. At the end of the week we will be enjoying the virtual pantomime 'Peter Pan' performed by Norfolk music hub. We have been singing some of the songs that will feature like 'Yellow submarine'. On Thursday we will get into our whole school teams for the first time and spend the morning completing some team Maths challenges (with a festive theme). We will bring the term to an end with a Christmas party with treats

Other bits:

Reading books – Please ensure that you record the name of the book your child brings home every week. At the back of the reading record there is an example of the kinds of things you can record in the book as you read with your child. This shows us what the children have been doing as they read. If there are no entries, we will assume the book has not been read yet. Please remember **re reading** is a great way to practise phonic strategies and begin to really recognise **on sight** a greater number of common exception and high frequency words

Reading books: Return to school on a Monday. New book out on Tuesday
(Please ensure they are kept in book bags all week)

Phonics folders: In on a Wednesday and out on a Friday

**** words in red = new vocabulary that we have taught the children. Use this vocabulary at home to support your child's language development****