



## Reception Newsletter w/b 7<sup>th</sup> December



This will be the final newsletter of the term. Firstly, I would like to personally thank you all for the kind words and support. It has not been an ideal situation for anyone and I have missed being with the children a lot over the past 6 weeks. I have still been able to see what super progress they are making and enjoyed seeing their smiley faces, particularly over the Christmas period. I hope you all have a lovely Christmas – as odd and different as it may seem. I also look forward to seeing you in the village or surrounding area when I am on my walks with new baby Todd. I am sure I will get to see the children on my return. Please note I will not be able to reply to any emails from Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December.

### **This Week...**

We have continued to look at letter formation during our time with Mrs Whittaker. In Maths we have thought about different ways to represent numbers – we have even got to looking at numbers to 20. In RE we have thought about Jesus' birthday and celebrated with a little party. Our continuous provision has had a lovely Christmas theme to it. The children have enjoyed decorating a tree, writing Christmas cards, designing, making and wrapping toys, filling Christmas bags with the correct number written on the outside, playing in the snow area and creating a story using the Arctic animals.

### **Next Week...**

We have a very busy last week in Reception. Monday and Tuesday will be spent in our continuous provision areas, making party hats and practising for our special 'Christmas' performance. On Wednesday, as well as having our Christmas dinner, we will be recording something special which will hopefully be with you by Thursday (Mrs Todd's technology skills dependent!). Thursday is our class party in the afternoon – however, children can come to school in their party clothes – please be mindful of footwear. Friday we will be enjoying the last of our Christmas activities and be ready for a 1pm finish. Please note there is no PE on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December.

### **Wednesday**

Please could you send children in their Christmas jumpers/tops instead of a school jumper (other uniform still required). We practised our performance during Christmas jumper day and feel it looks better with a festive twist!

### **Reading Books**

Reading books will be changed on Monday and two books given for over the Christmas period. They will not be changed on Thursday.

### **Mrs Whittaker/Miss Kitt**

Mrs Whittaker will leave us on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> and Miss Kitt's final day is Thursday 17<sup>th</sup>. We would like to thank them both for all their hard work keeping the learning and progression going in Reception class.

### **Upcoming Dates**

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Lunch

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Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Party Day (come in party clothes)

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December – Finish for Christmas (1pm finish)