



Reception Weekly Focus

Week Beginning: 11th December 2023

This week we will be continuing to learn about Advent and the way in which we prepare for Christmas. We will talk about the advent candles and what they mean.

We continue learning our new story and writing about stickman in our Literacy lessons.

In maths we will be revisiting some of our number work from across the half term looking at shape, pattern and number.

Don't forget the trip letter and payment - we have sent out slips to the parents who will be coming with us on the day.

Focus words this week: Advent, Prepare, calendar, post office, wrap

Talk about the words and what they mean. Can you use these words within a sentence throughout the week?

Focus Story:

Stick man



Maths Focus: Recap

Play some maths games:



Rhyme of the Week

Five Little Elves Song

(Sing to the tune of '5 Little Ducks Went Swimming One Day'.)

One little elf was busy one day,
Putting the presents in the sleigh.
Santa Claus said, "Ho, ho, ho, ho,"
But the sleigh wasn't ready to go!

Two little elves were busy one day,
Putting the presents in the sleigh.
Santa Claus said, "Ho, ho, ho, ho,"
But the sleigh wasn't ready to go!

Three little elves were busy one day,
Putting the presents in the sleigh.
Santa Claus said, "Ho, ho, ho, ho,"
But the sleigh wasn't ready to go!

Four little elves were busy one day,
Putting the presents in the sleigh.
Santa Claus said, "Ho, ho, ho, ho,"
But the sleigh wasn't ready to go!

Five little elves were busy one day,
Putting the presents in the sleigh.
Santa Claus said, "Ho, ho, ho, ho,"
"Now my sleigh is ready to go!"



Story Time

Reading books will be changed throughout the week.

Come in and choose a book with your child!

This week the children will:

- Writing lists and letters in our Christmas post office
- Wrapping presents, posting letters and designing stamps
- Continue to work hard to learn our set 1 phonic sounds and to form them correctly in their writing.
- Learning to blend sounds together to read.
- Practising how to hold our pencils correctly for writing and drawing.
- Playing games in our classroom and on an obstacle course to practise using position and direction words.
- Rehearsing our Christmas Nativity Play
- RE topic - Advent - thinking about things that we get ready for and the candles of advent
- Making Christmas cards and calendars
- Creating our Bambinelli's for blessing in church



EYFS & KS 1 Nativity Plays

Tuesday 12th December Nursery & Reception Nativity Performance for families at 9.30am

Wednesday 13th December Nursery & Reception Nativity Performance for families at 2.30pm

Thursday 14th December Nursery & Reception 'Christmas Wishes Trip' to Cannock Chase Museum

Thursday 14th December Year 1 & Year 2 Nativity Performance for families at 2.30pm

Friday 15th December Year 1 & Year 2 Nativity Performance for families at 9.30am

Friday 22nd December Break up at 3.25pm for Christmas Holidays!

Monday 25th December - Friday 5th January

SCHOOL CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

Monday 8th January **SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS (STAFF TRAINING DAY)**

Tuesday 9th January School re-opens for the Spring Term