



Nursery Weekly Focus

Week Beginning: 4th December 2023

Thank you to those who have responded to our call for help as volunteers on our school trip to Cannock Chase Museum.

In Literacy, this week, we will begin our new text 'Dear Santa' We will use role play to help us learn the story. We will explore and learn some of the new vocabulary in the text, in particular the adjectives used.

In Maths, this week, we will be exploring different shapes such as circle, triangle, square and rectangle. We will go on a shape hunt. We will also use the shapes we have learnt to compare sizes, such as bigger and smaller.

In RE, we will begin our new unit on Advent - getting ready. We will explore that Advent is all about getting ready for Christmas, for the birth of Jesus. We will learn about the Advent wreath and make one of our own. *With your child, think about what you do in your house to get ready for Christmas?*

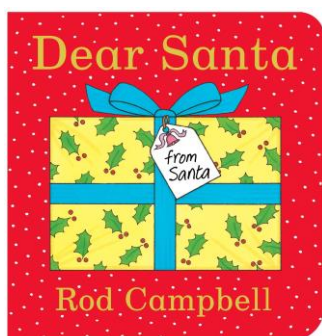
In Understanding the World we will recap what we have learnt about Autumn and we will create our own Autumn pictures in our books.

Focus words this week: kite, ball, Advent, finger, trumpet

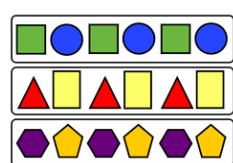
Talk about the words and what they mean. Can you use these words within a sentence throughout the week?

Focus Story:

Dear
Santa



Maths Focus: Recognising shapes and comparing sizes



Can you find any shapes in your house?

Can you find one that is bigger or smaller?

Rhyme of the Week:

Hey Diddle Diddle

Hey diddle diddle,
The cat and the fiddle,
The cow jumped over the moon;
The little dog laughed
To see such sport,
And the dish ran away with the
spoon

Story Time

Reading books will be changed on Monday. Please send your child's book bag into school each day with their planner and reading book. Please ensure the planner is signed to show that you have read with your child.

Thank you.

Home Readers

As you will have noticed, each of your children brought home a 'home reader' book. These are for you to read with your child and develop an enjoyment and excitement for reading. You can change these books whenever you are ready too.

Morning parents: when you drop your child off, there is a bookcase in the cloakroom, this is where the home readers are kept, please, return and collect a new one when you need too.

Afternoon parents: At the end of the day, when you collect your child, there is a bookcase in the cloakroom, this is where the home readers are kept, please, return and collect a new one when you need too.

This week the children will:

- Continue to practise our counting daily, numbers up to 12, when we count the children in class.
- Explore roles and jobs in a Toy Workshop using the role play 'Christmas Toy Workshop'
- We will read the story 'Dear Santa'
- We will learn to retell the story through actions and role play
- We will explore the adjectives in the book.
- We will practice our creative skills, when we make Autumn pictures using cars to mark make.
- We will learn about different shapes and go on a shape hunt.
- We will compare sizes of shapes, bigger, smaller.
- Practice writing some pre-writing shapes and our names.
- We will use our constructions kits to make a present box, like the ones we saw in Dear Santa.
- Practising using our manners, saying 'Yes please', and 'No thank you' during snack time.
- We will learn to use 1p to pay for our snack at snack time.
- Practising taking turns and sharing during our guided play.
- We will be learning about Advent, that it is a time to get ready for Christmas and the birth of Jesus.
- We will make an Advent wreath, to help us countdown to Christmas.
- We will also continue to learn our daily prayers.

Nursery Staffing Arrangements

The Nursery class is being taught by a Nursery Team of staff: Miss Martin (Teacher, who is covering Mrs Bamforth while on maternity leave), Mrs Evans (Teacher) and Miss Kempson (Teaching Assistant).

Mrs Bamforth will be returning to nursery on the 18th December.

If you have any concerns, please contact Mrs Hannett.



Friday 8th December - Christmas Fair in school hall and hub. 3.30pm - 4.30pm, all welcome.

Tuesday 12th December - EYFS Nativity at 9.30am

Wednesday 13th December - EYFS Nativity at 2.30pm

Thursday 14th December - Nursery & Reception Christmas Wishes visit to Cannock Chase Museum.

Saturday 16th December - Mass at St Joseph's, Darlaston. Fr Craig will bless the Baminelli's the children have made in school. All welcome.