



Reception Weekly Focus

Week Beginning: 25th November 2024

We are starting a new story this week - Stickman. We will read the story and create our own using natural resources.

In Maths we will continue to consolidate our work on shape and also begin to explore the concept of 'part' of a number (and other objects) and the 'whole' number.

We begin our new RE topic - Advent as we count down and prepare for the birth of Jesus.

Thank you for all your support with helping your child at home. I can really see that those who are working at home are making lots of progress in school too. If you would like further support, let me know!

Don't forget to scan the QR codes each day to practise phonics with your child at home. If you need extra - let us know

Focus words this week: Advent, Part, Whole, Wreath

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

Focus Story:

Stick man



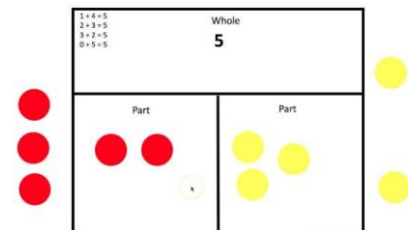
Rhyme of the Week:

Cup of Tea

Here's a cup,
And here's a cup,
And there's a pot of tea.
Pour a cup,
And pour a cup,
And have a drink with me.



Maths Focus: Part, Part Whole



Explore things around the house that have 'parts'.

Using socks of different colours explore how many of each (parts) and how many altogether (whole)

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 cards from different celebrations
- Writing labels for our celebrations display
- Setting up our Post office role play area
- 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 - some children will be bringing home ditty sheets to read, others may have blending books to practise.
- Practising how to hold our pencils correctly for writing and drawing.
- Naming and describing 2D shapes - making shapes from other shapes and spotting shapes inside one another.
- RE topic - Advent - thinking about things that we get ready for and the candles of advent
- Learning our Christmas play songs and actions
- Learn our new story
- The QR code below has some wonderful practical ideas for phonics games (for children who are a little reluctant to practise at home!)



Wednesday 27th November (Morning only) School Photographer - Individual and Family photos for children who were absent on 22nd November.

Wednesday 27th November Flu Vaccination Catch-Up Session

Monday 2nd December St Andrew's House Celebration day - pupils in St Andrew's house to come to school wearing their own clothes.

Tuesday 3rd December Advent Mass in school at 2.30pm - Parents / carers welcome.

Wednesday 4th December Nursery & Reception 'Advent Stay & Pray' at 2.45pm. Parents / carers are invited to join their child for a craft activity followed by a short prayer time together.

Friday 6th December Own Clothes Day - Please bring in a donation of a bottle (something to drink e.g. wine, spirits, fizzy pop or squash) or chocolate (e.g. a selection box, box or bar of chocolate, chocolate Santa) to help with our Christmas Fair. Thank you!

Monday 9th December Early Years & KS1 Nativity Performance for parents at 2pm

Tuesday 10th December Early Years & KS1 Nativity Performance for parents at 2pm

Wednesday 11th December Early Years & KS1 Nativity Performance for parents at 9.30am Wednesday 11th December Christmas dinner in school

Thursday 12th December Nursery & Reception 'Christmas Wishes' visit to Cannock Chase Museum Friday 13th December Christmas Dress up Day (Own clothes Day - Christmas jumpers / t-shirts / dresses / hats etc. are all encouraged!)

Friday 13th December Please come along and support the School & Parish Christmas Fair in the school hall 3.30pm - 4.30pm

Wednesday 18th December Christmas Craft afternoon

Thursday 19th December Christmas Party afternoon Friday 20th December Culture Day - Own clothes day- children are encouraged to come to school wearing something that reflects their own culture e.g. national dress, colours of the flag etc. A day to celebrate our differences and be proud of our cultural background! On this day the children will spend time learning about Christmas celebrations around the world. Break up for Christmas!