



Reception Weekly Focus

Week Beginning: 21st November 2022

We are completing our work on the Gingerbread man this week. The children have really enjoyed it. Our new story will be Stickman. We will be making a giant stickman in our garden.

In Maths we will be learning all about 2D shapes- naming them, describing them and making pictures using different shapes. We will even go on a shape hunt around school.

In RE we begin our topic of 'Advent' and thinking about this special time of preparation before Christmas.

As well as our rhyme this week we will also be exploring one every day as part of World Nursery Rhyme week. There are some lovely free resources here: <https://www.worldnurseryrhymeweek.com/>

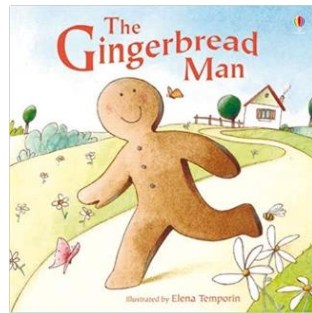
Don't forget to scan the QR codes each day to practise phonics with your child at home.

Focus words this week: Author, Collect, Shape, Birthday, kindness

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

Focus Story:

The Gingerbread Man

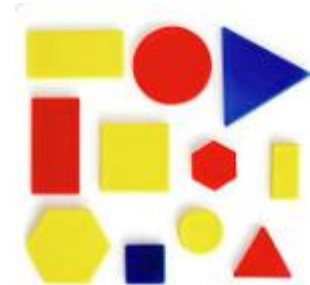


Rhyme of the Week:

Breezy weather. Freezy weather.
When the leaves fall,
we all fall together.
Breezy weather. Freezy weather.
When the wind blows, we huddle together

(Ask your child to perform this with actions)

Maths Focus: 2D shape



Go on a shape hunt. Make a list of all the 2D shapes that your child knows and go for a walk to try and tick them off your list.
Send us some pictures!

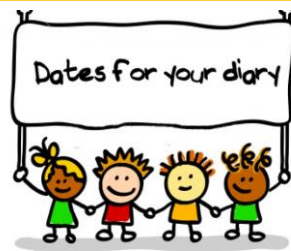
Story Time

Reading books will be changed throughout the week.

Come in and choose a book with your child!

This week the children will:

- Writing our own gingerbread man stories
- Reading some alternative versions of the gingerbread man to spot similarities and differences
- Innovating the story by changing characters
- 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.
- Naming and describing 2D shapes
- Making shape pictures
- Playing maths games using dice and cubes
- Beginning to learn our Christmas play songs and actions
- Starting a new RE topic - Advent
- Nursery Rhyme Week activities
- Thinking about Advent, making an advent wreath



EYFS & KS 1 Nativity Plays

Nursery & Reception – Wednesday 7th December at 2.15pm Friday 9th December at 9.30am

Friday 9th December St Joseph's School & Parish Christmas Fair 3.30pm – 5pm

Sunday 11th December School / Parish Mass at 8.30am, St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Darlaston

Monday 12th December Nursery & Reception 'Christmas Wishes' Visit to Cannock Chase Museum

Tuesday 13 th December Whole School Mass in school.

Wednesday 14th December KS2 Carol Service in school at 9am. Parents Welcome Christmas Jumper Day Christmas Dinner

Thursday 15th December Christmas Craft afternoon

Friday 16th December Christmas Party afternoon

Friday 16th December Break up for Christmas

Tuesday 3rd January School re-opens for the Spring Term