



## Wren Class Newsletter - Week Beginning 13/12/2021.

THANK YOU for our lovely Christmas gifts! We really appreciate your kindness and generosity. Thank you.

We hope that you have all had a wonderful Christmas and enjoyed the holidays so far. Here is a summary of our last week of the Autumn Term.

During our Phonics lessons this week, we learnt the sounds 'z', 'qu', 'ch' and words with an 's' on the end (plurals and verbs). We also learnt tricky words 'go', 'no', 'into' and 'to'. The children have practised reading and writing words containing these sounds. Please could you continue to practise the tricky words that we have put into your children's reading pack and if possible keep them in the pack so that we can practise and add to them each week.

We have had a few queries regarding school reading books, the level that the children are on and the frequency that we change each book. We try to match the books to the sounds that the children know or have recently learnt. Some children know more sounds and tricky words than other children so will be on a higher level book. The reading books that the children take home from school are designed to encourage children to read fluently (without sounding each individual sound out). We would expect the child to sound out the words the first time that they read the book and then progress to reading it fluently. This may take two or three times reading the book. Please do not worry if your child is finding the book 'easy'. This builds their confidence and also enables time to talk about the story together. If you would like to extend your child's reading further, we suggest reading a book together from the library or your own collection. This can be any book and you can pick out words for your child to read as you read along together.

In Forest School, the children enjoyed exploring the forest, making snowmen out of flour and items found in the forest. During snack time, the children toasted a marshmallow on the campfire to eat alongside their hot chocolate.

During our Literacy lessons, the children listened to the story 'The Bear Who Had Never Seen Christmas'. They had a go at writing words independently

suggesting what gift they would buy for the bear. The children also wrote Christmas cards to their Y6 Buddies and their family.

During our Maths lessons the children learnt about number bonds to 5 and explored the different ways that we can make number to 5. We also had a look at all the Christmas Window displays around the school.

The children had their RE lesson with Mrs Spong and completed the Nativity story.

On Thursday, the children enjoyed the class Christmas party. We played party games, danced to music and played in some snow on the playground!

Just a little request! We have had a lot of children bringing in toys recently and unfortunately one of the children lost their toy and was quite upset. Please could we ask that toys are not brought into school unless it is for an emotional need or other special reason. Thank you.

We hope that you have had a wonderful Christmas and wish you a happy New Year!

Many thanks

Wren Class Team



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