



## Reception Weekly Newsletter

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The children have had a very busy week this week! The festivities started on Monday with the classroom decorating competition. Thank you for all your help and decoration donations. The judges called EYFS a 'Winter Wonderland!' and the children received some malteasers as a prize.

We have also begun to practise our Christmas play in the hall. The children have done really well getting on and off the stage to sing and act. We are really looking forward to the main performances. You are going to be so proud of the children - bring your tissues!

The children have also begun to write their own stories for our class book. Some have written some initial sounds of words, some have written some words and some have written some simple sentences. This is a good application of their phonic knowledge.

This week in phonics we have learnt the phonemes f and l, and the digraphs ff, ll and ss. The children have practised writing the graphemes (letter shapes), reading words and simple sentences and they have written labels for pictures. They have practised reading and writing tricky words I, the, to, no and go. Next week we will be practising all of our phonic skills.

This week in maths we have been deepening our knowledge of the number 8. The children have also been ordering number pattern bears, matching the correct numeral and then working out missing numbers. Next week our number of the week is 9.

Next week we have two Stay and Play sessions. There will be a winter and Christmas theme to the sessions. All are welcome! We look forward to seeing you at the sessions.

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December is Christmas Jumper day, with donations to 'Save the Children'.

### Diary Dates

Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Stay and Play 8.55 - 10.30
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Stay and Play 1.30 - 3.15
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	9.30 + 2.15 Christmas Play
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Party
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	Break up for Christmas

Have a good weekend. Mrs Houghton, Miss Horner and the Reception team.

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