



23.11.18

We have been creating our own characters this week through dressing up, playing with 'Mr Potato Head' and using the face changer game; children put different eyes, nose, mouth, eyebrows and hair/hat onto the face. We have talked about what the characters are like and what they might do. The children have written about what their character is called and what it is doing.

In phonics this week we have learnt the phonemes c, k and the digraph (two letters, one sound) ck. The children have practised writing the graphemes (letter shapes). The c is a really important letter to be able to write correctly because if you can form this letter you can go on to form o, a, d, q and s more easily. ("Up the hill and over, stop. Curl back around the caterpillar.")

Our number of the week has continued to be 7. "One more than seven is eight." "One less than seven is six." We have also looked at different ways to make 7 by adding two amounts. E.g.  $5+2=7$ ,  $6+1=7$ ,  $3+4=7$ .

On Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December, in the afternoon, the whole school is inviting families into classrooms to help with decorating them up for Christmas. There will be a prize for the best decorated classroom! If you are able to come and spend some time with us making/putting up decorations we would appreciate your help! Also, if you have any spare decorations at home for us to use we would be most grateful. If you just want to come in and play with your child during that afternoon, you are welcome to do so too. Thank you!

### Diary Dates

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November

Non-uniform day (chocolate/bottle donations for Christmas fair)

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December (pm)

Class Christmas decorating

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas Fair 3.15 - 5.30

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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