



4th December 2020

Christmas is now in full swing! This afternoon we put up our tree and decorated it to Christmas music.

Please keep practising your lines for the Christmas show. We are going to focus on this for the whole week to perfect it before recording (all performances will apply with Covid guidance).

RECEPTION:

The reception children have now learnt all of Set 1 phonics sounds in RWI. There are videos on Tapestry for them if you are unsure. When practicing at home please encourage the 'pure' sound and don't add a schwa to the end. I will show this in a new video this week. During the week the children have been using their phonics to read cvc words, practising to spell words and trying to learn the letter names (e.g. /bee/ for b). At home see if they can tell you any letter names.

In Maths this week the children have been looking at the number 5. We have been focusing how to make the number 5 using gloves filled with flour to make 5 in different ways with the fingers, what the 5p coin looks like and even making pentagons! At home see if you can spot any number 5s around the house.

In Writing this week the children have been looking at photos of the Great Fire of London and trying hard to write what they see. All of the children have been working hard to hear sounds in the words and writing them to communicate meaning. Great! At home see if they can continue this with pictures they draw.

YEAR ONE:

In Phonics this week, the children have been learning using their knowledge of Set 3s to help read real and alien words. They have also been practising how to write capital letters correctly and the names of the letters.

In Maths this week the children have been looking at numbers 11-20. They have looked again at the tens and ones of each number and using the compare signs to when comparing two numbers. The children have also been selecting three numbers at random and placing them in order. This week's home learning is

In Writing this week the children have been writing a newspaper report about the Great Fire of London. They have wrote about where it started, who got killed and how it spread. They have all worked hard but there have been reminders and finger spaces, capital letters and full stops. Please remind them to use these at home when writing also.

Costumes would need to be brought in by **Monday 7th December** to allow for dress rehearsals.

Over the next two weeks we are going to be focusing on Christmas!

Dates for the Diary:

Wednesday 16th Dec
Christmas lunch and jumper day

Thursday 17th Dec
Last day of term & non-uniform.

Year 1s: Please continue to add home learning as we have noticed a dip in contributions recently. Thank you.