

6th December 2019 Welcome to Class 1's Newsletter.

Christmas Season has started! We have an elf that has visited us this week. He has tried to eat our chocolate but then gave us a tree to decorate.

We have been practising our RWI Set 1 sounds and have been very impressed with what the children have remembered! Please continue to use the phonic sound cards when reading as this really helps.

After Christmas we are going to group the children based on their confidence of the sounds and blending. We will introduce Red Ditty books which is a different way to help the fluency in reading and writing. After the children are comfortable with this, we will invite you in once again to see how this works. Please come in again if you have already visited as this will help with those pesky tricky words that we call Red Words in class.

This week in Maths the children have been looking at positions. They have been thinking carefully about their left / rights and been placing the Kevin carrot family in the correct position with the present boxes. The children have also been practising by playing hide and seek. At home, see if the children can say the position of where their elf (or another Christmas toy) is placed e.g. next to the tree, below the sofa, on top of the chair etc.

We had a brilliant trip to the museum. Thank you to all the parents that were able to come and offer help. We hope you enjoyed yourselves also.

We are now getting ready for Christmas. We have been practising our show along with the songs. If your child is wearing a costume, we ask that you bring it in next week ready for our dress rehearsal towards the end of the week - thank you!

We are also going to have a Christmas party on the 17^{th} . Your child can bring in party clothes to wear for the occasion to celebrate in style. We also kindly ask for food donations for the children. There will be a list that you can select what you would like to bring in. Many thanks

For the Open Afternoon, we are inviting all parents from Class 1 and 2 to arrive from 2:30pm. This will allow you to see the Toy Museum that the children have created and a chance to watch their recorded puppets shows.

Dates for the Diary:

- 1. 13th December Open Afternoon
- 2. 16th December 2PM Christmas Show
- 3. 17th December Christmas Party