

Reception Newsletter



Dear Parents, Guardians and Families,

Friday 3rd December 2021

What an exciting week it has been for our Reception children! Thank you so much for all of your support with each class' nativity - the children were amazing and did so well, we're so very proud of them ☺



We have been learning how to stay safe online for 'Internet Safety Week'. We listened to an online story about a penguin called 'Smartie' which promoted online safety. The message given was when playing online games on an iPad, tablet or on Mummy's or Daddy's phone, a grownup should be sitting with them and if anything popped up that shouldn't be there, they do not click but tell someone. We learnt the following rhyme to help us remember this important message, *"Before you click, click, click, you need to think, think, think and tell someone"*. You can view the story yourself by typing "Smartie the Penguin" into a search engine. There is a very useful website with lots of age relevant tips and advice for parents with children and young people at home: <https://saferinternet.org.uk>



The children were very excited to see the snow and ice this week. We chatted about how cold it was now autumn has turned to winter and Christmas as getting closer. We noticed how so many more children now have scarves, gloves and hats compared to a few weeks ago and also how the trees in the front playground have now lost all of their leaves. Noticing seasonal changes and it's effects relates to "Understanding the World" in the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) Curriculum and gets the children ready for the "Science" Curriculum as they get older.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- December 10th** - Wear your Christmas Jumper to school ☺
- December 10th** - Christmas lunch day in the dinner hall (free for all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2).
- December 10th** - Children will be running our first every Santa Dash in our school playground.
Every child who participates will receive a special commemorative medal ☺
- December 16th** - Nasal flu vaccinations (only for children who's parents completed the online consent form).
- December 17th** - Christmas disco - wear your own clothes to school.
- December 20th** - Christmas Grotto day in school.
- December 21st** - Christmas Raffle (tickets still on sale - £1 for a strip of five tickets
all money raised will go towards paying for our school disco, grotto and class parties).
- December 22nd** - Last day of term - break up for the Christmas holidays ☺

Have a fabulous weekend - Reception Team