

Reception Class Newsletter



Dear Parents / Carers,

Friday 17th December 2021

We have had a busy festive week making Christmas cards, calendars and decorations. We finished the week with our Christmas Disco. It's safe to say we are ready for Christmas!

Whilst enjoying the festivities we have continued with our daily routines. Phonics assessments were completed this week. Whilst children are able to identify 'set 1 sounds' of the Read Write Inc Phonic scheme, we are strongly focusing on blending activities to promote blending sounds together to say and read words, e.g "h-o-,p-hop". This again is something we do throughout the school day and you can continue this at home simply by sounding a word out and allowing your child to blend the sounds together. Equally, there are plenty of online recourse online to support this. Check out our class page on the school website for recommendations on how to support your child with phonics.

We read the story 'Cookie's Christmas Invention', coming across new vocabulary such as 'commotion' and 'invention'. We discussed their meaning and it prompted discussions on what toys we would like to invent.

Continuing our RE topic 'I am special', we discussed how we are the same and how we are different. We used magnifying glasses to investigate our fingertips and compared them to our friends. We discussed that everyone has different fingerprints.



A reminder we break up on **Wednesday 22nd December at 1:15 p.m** and return to school on Wednesday 5th January.

Have a great weekend
Reception Staff