



Reception Class Round-Up

Friday 10 December 2021



Some of the lovely things the children have been doing...

'The Jolly Christmas Postman' has been our focus in English. We have all written to Santa requesting our Christmas wishes. We have completed character story maps that sequence the postman's journey and identified rhyme in the story. We have also looked at the nativity story through our rehearsals, story sequencing and writing our favourite part.



Christmas art day was exciting (and messy of course) to say the least. We made cards, Rudolph decorations, lollipop and fir cone trees, calendars and suncatchers. Our fabulous creations will be sent home for Christmas.

One Snowy Night

The children enjoyed a wonderful morning going on a coach to see 'One Snowy Night' at the Birmingham Arts Centre. There was much excitement and singing on the coach and beautifully behaved children who settled down to watch Percy the Park Keeper in action. A lovely festive treat!

Shine, Star, Shine

Our reception class children have made both the staff and, I am sure the parents, incredibly proud with their performance of the nativity. They performed a dress rehearsal to all the school on Friday 3 December, and then Monday 6 December was the main performance. Songs were sung and lines were delivered with lots of enthusiasm. A fantastic experience for all!

In phonics we will be introducing single sounds...

Introduced digraphs and a trigraph;

ai as in rain ee as in feet igh as in high

oa as in coat

oo as in boot and cook

and or as in corn



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Next week we will finish off the term with:

ar as in car
and
ur as in turn

How to help your child at home...

- Reinforce digraphs/trigraphs introduced at school. Identify them in words in stories you share
- Practise simple addition in real life contexts - e.g. how many red and blue baubles on the tree?
- Talk about the numbers on advent calendars – practise writing them.
- Encourage children to write Christmas cards and gift tags using the cursive letters they know

What's coming up..

- Our class Christmas party will take place in the afternoon of Monday 13 December. Children can wear party clothes to school that day.



Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a restful break.

With Best Wishes for a happy and healthy 2022!

Mrs Emery and Mrs Pullen

