### Reception Class Round-Up Friday 14, December 2018



#### Some of the lovely things the children have been learning...

The highlight of this week has been our performance of 'Christmas Counts.' Each and every one of the children rose to the occasion and were true stars. I was really proud with how they sang, delivered their lines, remembered stage directions and smiled throughout.

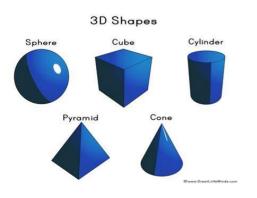


In handwriting we have introduced cursive  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{A}$  as we continue with Georgia Pig's up and over letter family. It's wonderful to see the children using some cursive letters in their independent writing.

'The Jolly Christmas Postman' has been our focus in English. We have all written to Santa and completed character story maps that sequence the postman's journey. We have written party invitations and identified rhyme in the story.



In maths we have been solving simple addition problems and ordering numbers to 10. We have created Christmas counting trees using sparkles and spangles - very fiddly but lots of valuable counting with one to one correspondence! We have also been naming some 3d shapes and learning about their properties.





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#### Some of the things that the children will experience in the coming weeks...

We will be starting our new topic 'Hot and Cold.' We will compare hot and cold places and our role play area will take the shape of an igloo as the children become arctic explorers! We will be learning the value of teen numbers and beyond and identifying the value of numbers we find on a number hunt around school.

#### In phonics we have been introduced to sounds...

# Introduced digraphs – **ow oi ur or** and trigraph - **ear**

#### How to help your child at home...

- Reinforce digraphs/trigraphs introduced at school. Identify them in words in stories you share
- Keep a Christmas holiday diary to share at school

#### Some highlights of the last couple of weeks!

Reception theatre trip to see 'The Everywhere Bear', a visit from someone special, Mary and Joseph and Christmas jumper day









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Thank you all for your continued support this term

Wishing you all a very Happy Christmas

