

What we are learning about:

This week we will be continuing our thinking on celebrations.

We will be focusing on the Christian festival of Christmas, and look at this from the point of the Christmas story and how Christians celebrate.

We will learn about the nativity story, relating this to our own nativity show!

We will think about the birth of baby Jesus, what new babies need, and how we look after them. We will look at ourselves as babies, and talk about how we have changed and grown.

We will sequence the nativity story, role play the story in small world, collage the baby Jesus in a manger, count baubles onto Christmas trees, thread 'lights' onto trees and writing Christmas captions!

We will talk to a local church and talk about the meaning of Christmas to them and how they celebrate, as well as thinking about how we celebrate Christmas, and if it is now only Christians that celebrate.



Sparrows & Wrens Week Beginning 1/12/2025

Maths

This week we will be checking our understanding of all skills taught so far in our school journey!

We will recap all skills learnt including composition of number, subitising skills, more/less than, 2d shapes, and counting out.

This will be done in lots of fun ways and problem solving to check our understanding of number.



RWI Phonics

Children will continue in their RWI groups.

This means that all children will be working at the phonics level that is right for them.

We are working hard on consolidating our blending skills and noticing diagraphs (2 letters 1 sound) both on their own and in words, ready for assessments next week.

Ideas for at home:



Watch:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/m000c7rg/my-first-festivals-series-1-3-christmas>

Practice getting dressed for the weather by themselves, putting on and zipping up coats and putting on gloves and scarves.

Read new RWI books or practice sounds that have been sent home at least 3 times a week.

In reading for pleasure books, continue to recognise any of the sounds from RWI that week? Can they see the sounds in the environment?

We are seeing huge improvements with anti-clockwise circles however, can they continue to secure accurate starting points for the 'curved' letter families. Still starting with a top-right starting point. As before, this can include chalk circles, paint circles, colouring pencil circles to embed this skill.

Watch:

Reminders:

Please bring in nativity costumes this week.

Our Christmas Fair is on **THURSDAY**. Children can be collected from 2.30pm from classroom doors.