



## Reception Curriculum Information

Week beginning: 11<sup>th</sup> December 2017

Dear Parents

In assembly this week, the Reception children enjoyed the rehearsal for the Year 1 and 2 Carol Service. On Friday, we enjoyed celebrating December birthdays, stars of the week, and bird family token totals! Bird Family meetings focused on being thankful, which was linked to Christmas.

We have enjoyed a wide range of festive activities this week. The highlight was undoubtedly following a mysterious trail of Christmas baubles through the woods. The trail ended at the Bananarium where we found class presents and a message from Father Christmas! He had even left us some delicious hot chocolate.

### **Literacy**

We have been practising correct letter formation as we write messages in our Christmas cards and some of us have written a sentence to describe our nativity drawings. We have continued to practise forming our letters correctly and we are beginning to practise positioning our letters on lines. Over the holidays, we would encourage you to share a wide range of books and stories with your children.

### **Maths**

We have been practising counting to 100 including counting in 10's. We put our skills into practice as we filled in missing numbers on a footpath left by Santa. Many of the children have been excited to tell us about their advent calendars and we have been counting how many sleeps left until Christmas Day.

### **Other activities**

On Wednesday we wore Christmas jumpers and brought in money to donate to our school charity. Our final PE lesson of the term was a Christmas yoga session which was followed by games and dancing as all three classes joined together to enjoy a little party.

Over the holidays your child may wish to record some of their experiences in their Special Book. This could be in the form of drawings, photos and their own writing. As always they will have the opportunity to share any contributions to their books with their friends in class.

**Dates for your diary:**

**Thursday 8 February – 5.00 - 7.30pm:** Parents' evening for Reception, Year 1 and 2 (in the Pre Prep)

**Thursday 1 March:** World Book Day – dress as your favourite book character and author visit

With our best wishes from Mrs Alexandre, Miss Knightly, Mrs Laing and Mrs Harries

*Melanie Harries*