

Dear Parents/Carers,

In Literacy this week, we have been learning the sounds **ai**, **igh**, **ee** and **or**. We have learnt the word 'my' and 'was' and revised all the tricky star words taught so far. We have also been continuing to encourage the children's skills in blending the sounds to read words using their word boxes and literacy based games. Please continue to practise blending sounds with your child, listening carefully for the word they can hear. Please ensure that you sign in your reading diary book once your child has completed their reading book at home in order for their book to be changed.

In Numeracy, we have been continuing to use mathematical vocabulary including equals and add when adding two groups of objects together. We have also had a focus on finding 'one more' and 'one less' than a given number, using number lines as support.

Next term our Topic will be, 'The World of Wonder!' We will start by thinking about wintry worlds and will explore the children's questions through enquiry learning. We will be encouraging the children to develop their enquiry and questioning skills and ask that the children think of at least one question linked to their interests and bring their question back to school next week. We will use our enquiry afternoon sessions to explore the children's questions further. Please see the separate enquiry learning letter. During this topic, we will research further information, conduct exciting experiments, carry out investigations and learn more about the amazing wintry world around us.

Reception Christmas party is on Wednesday 19th December during the afternoon. We ask if Mrs Rothwell's class could each provide a few bags of crisps or savoury snacks (nut free) and Miss Mason's class bring something sweet for us to share at the party. Fruit and drinks will be provided by school. (Children will have their lunch as usual; the party is just a snack.)

Thank you to RR for the delicious buns brought in this week. Friday 11th January will be RM's Friday bake. We would like to request that children bring in buns from home to sell them to the rest of the school with the proceeds going to charity. Please could your child bring in home-made or bought buns in a container with their name on. Please remember that we are a **nut-free school**.

Dates for Your Dairy

Tuesday 11th December – Christmas Jumper Day

Wednesday 12th December – Reception Christmas Assembly 9.15am

Wednesday 19th December – Reception/Key Stage 1 Christmas Party. Children can wear their party clothes.


Thursday 20th December - St John's Church (pupils only)

Thursday 20th December – Last day of term – finish at 3.10pm

Our 'Talking Topic' this week is:

Many thanks

The Reception Team



"How to walk safely to church..."