

Year 1 Newsletter

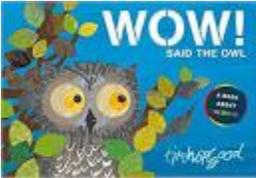
Friday 26thth November 2021

Dear Parent / Carer,

Firstly, a huge thank you to everyone who contributed something towards the Calderdale Rotary Shoebox Appeal. Our shoeboxes were overflowing with toys, books, and stocking fillers. We are sure whoever receives our box will be very happy when they open it.



This week in English, we have continued to edit and improve our 'Wow! said the Owl' stories. As a class we wrote our own version of the story during which we tried to think of appropriate adjectives to use to describe the things that the owl saw around school. Next week, we will be writing our own stories about the animal visiting a farm.



In Phonics, we have started to introduce some of the Phase 5 alternative spelling patterns. This week, we have learnt 'ir' as in bird, 'ie' as in tie, 'ue' as in glue and 'u' as in unicorn. Our tricky words for the week have been: their, people, oh, and your. These are the words the children need to be able to sight read.

In Maths, we have focused on subtraction. We started by counting objects and taking them away or crossing them out. Next week, we will continue with subtraction and begin to explore mental strategies.

Sadly, there will be no Christmas Fayre this year but with your help we are hoping to create a Festive hamper to raffle off to raise some money for school improvements and enhancements to benefit all children. Items such as chocolates, festive gifts/food and bottles would be appreciated. Details of tickets will be shared in the coming weeks. If you wish to donate towards the hamper, please send these items into school by **Wednesday 1st December**.



On Monday 6th December, we will be taking part in a reindeer run for Overgate Hospice. As a year group, we are aiming to run the distance of a marathon! Please ensure your child has outdoor PE kit in school for this event. The children will be given a set of antlers and a red nose to wear whilst they take part.

Important dates:

Wednesday 1st December – Year 1 Phonics Meeting at 5:45pm

Monday 13th December – Y1 Christmas Party

Friday 17th December – Christmas Jumper/Wear something sparkly day (donations for Save the Children)

Many Thanks
Miss Vine and Miss Hepworth