



# Reception Newsletter

Friday 19th December



## THIS WEEK

The children have been busy creating lots of beautiful Christmas cards and festive crafts, putting in so much care and effort. They have especially loved playing Santa and Santa's elves, wrapping presents with great enthusiasm. This imaginative play has been a fantastic way to support their fine motor skills, including cutting, sticking and wrapping.

It has been a joyful and festive end to the term, and the children have thoroughly enjoyed all the Christmas activities. Thank you, as always, for your continued support during this special time of year.

## ARTIST ON THE WEEK: OLIVIA GRACE



## KEY DATES

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January: back to school!

Our PE day is Wednesday

## LEARNING

In Maths, the children have continued to show off their super subitising skills, quickly recognising small quantities with confidence.

We have also been learning about comparison, using mathematical language such as more than, less than and equal to compare groups of objects.

In Drawing Club, the children used their wonderful imaginations as part of our storytelling. They imagined hearing a mysterious sound coming from the woods and shared their ideas about what it could be, leading to lots of creative thinking and discussion.

## PHONICS

This week in Phonics, we have been reviewing everything we have learned throughout Autumn 2. The children have now been introduced to lots of new phonemes, digraphs and tricky words, and we have been focusing on embedding this knowledge and building confidence in using it.

The children have also taken part in assessments, which will help us identify any gaps in learning and ensure we can provide the right support moving forward.

Please keep an eye out in books bags as there may be some phonics cards to help support your child practise these at home.