

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2018

Dear Parents,

**The Nativity**



On Monday, we shared ‘The Nativity’ story and discussed Christmas traditions and the meaning of Christmas. Throughout the week, we have been designing our own ‘Sleepy Shepherd’ nativity programme front covers, re-telling the nativity story in the small world and role-play areas, using the smart board to draw Mary, Joseph, the donkeys, sheep and the 3 Kings travelling to Bethlehem. They have also built fantastic structures using a variety of wooden blocks and loose parts.



**The Sleepy Shepherd Nativity Performance**

We are super proud of all the children that performed so brilliantly in their first School nativity this week. They loved being on stage singing the songs with fantastic actions and remembering all of their words! We can’t believe how much their confidence has grown since starting School in September.





## Maths

In Maths, we are learning about the size of objects so that we can order and describe the size of the presents for baby Jesus. The children have also enjoyed problem solving and working out which boxes or Russian dolls fit inside each other. They relished the challenge of finding the 2 Russian dolls which weren't part of the complete set. They have also applied their skills in the construction areas of provision to build small, medium and big structures and explore the size and relationships of the wooden blocks.



## Action Word Books

Please support your child to complete the 2 homework sheets inside the Action Word books this week and review the sounds in the pocket chart book. If your child has a reading book, please ask your child to read the red ditty book and provide a comment/sign in the reading diary. Thank you for your continued support with this. It really does make such a huge difference.

## Next Week

Next week, there are several School events taking place. Please refer to the School calendar and main newsletter for more information about these.

Our Reception **Christmas party afternoon is on Wednesday the 19<sup>th</sup> December**. Please would you kindly send in a contribution for our party snack such as crisps, cakes or biscuits in the morning with NO NUTS at drop off. We will be playing party games in the hall and there will also be a special visitor!!

Children can wear a Christmas Jumper on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December with their school uniform.

Yours sincerely,

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