

Year One Weekly update

Friday 30th November 2018

Message

Over the next couple of weeks we will be exploring Christmas foods and traditions. We will be tasting and cooking Christmas foods including Christmas biscuits and mince pies. We will also be making Christmas cards and decorations. We are asking for a voluntary contribution of **£2.00** to help cover the cost of these exciting activities. We are also turning our role play area into a Christmas Grotto with a real Christmas tree! If you have any old Christmas decorations, lights or anything christmassy that you are not using we would love it if you could donate it to help enhance our learning environment. We **do not** want you to buy anything new.

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This week we have finished off our winter themed activities in the backroom. We have had lots of fun in our artic small world, snow ball counting and winter writing. We are extremely excited to start our Christmas themed activities next week! We will be very busy elves up to Christmas now as we have so much to do and so little time!!

English

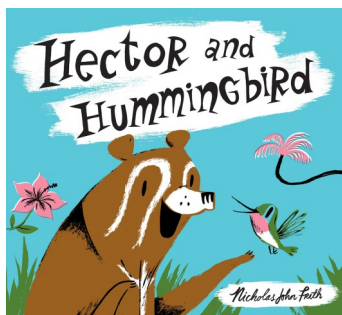
This week we finished our class text 'I Want My Hat Back' by Jon Klassen. First we wrote letters to bear explaining that we had found his hat. Then we sequenced the story to create a story map to help us with our writing. Finally we retold the story in our own words. This was our first 'Big Write' and all the children worked completely independently with no adult input! They did very well and have all produced great stories. We are very proud of their progress. Next week we start our Christmas film unit. We will be working closely with Y2 during this unit - it is very exciting!

Topic:

Over the next couple of weeks we will be using our topic sessions to practice the nativity, learn our songs and complete cross curricular activities based around our English film unit.

Reading:

In RIC this week we read...



Phonics:

This week we have been learning to read and write Y1 common exception words. Your child's spellings this week are all common exception words and cannot be sounded out.

Homework:

This week the children should complete the Christmas phonics sheet that is stuck in their homework books and online maths on Mathletics. This is along side their normal reading and spelling practice. We also recommend 10 minutes of Reading Eggs everyday to help develop your child's reading skills. Have a great weekend - Love Miss O'Brien x

Dates for your diary:

- 13/12 KS1 Christmas Show at 2pm.
- 14/12 KS1 Christmas Show at 9.30am
- 20/12 Reception - Year 6 Christmas Trip
- 21/12 Break up for Christmas break
- 08/01 Return to school for Spring Term