

Reception News

Autumn 2 Week 7 - 17th December 2021

What have we been learning?

- ◆ We have been writing the inside of our Christmas cards (which we decorated last week). We can't wait to show them to you!
- ◆ We have been thinking about Christmas time and why and how people celebrate. We have enjoyed talking about how we celebrate Christmas in our families (if we celebrate Christmas).
- ◆ We have been learning to write the number 13 correctly with the help of "Episode 13" from the "Tia Ten Show" on Ten Town. It helped us to understand that 13 is made up of 10 and 3 more (*not a 1 and a 3, as that would make 4*).

Nativity—"It's a Miracle in Town"

We thoroughly enjoyed performing our Nativity so that it could be recorded for you to see. We felt like television or film stars!

Homework

- ★ **Reading** - Please ask your child to read their new reading books, encouraging them to sound out and blend unfamiliar words or read tricky words by sight. *Please write us a comment to let us know how your child managed with their books at home.*
- ★ **Phonics and letter formation** - Please continue to practise recognition of all sounds taught so far and practise writing the letters (graphemes) as well encouraging and reminding of correct formation, using the "froggy fingers" grip.
- ★ **Key words** - Please practise quick recognition of all sight words sent home this term in the plastic zip wallets. *Please feel free to cut these up to ensure that your child isn't remembering the order of the words!*
- ★ **Maths** - Practise forming "13" in the yellow "Between Us" book & on the "Ten Town" website. Continue counting forwards & backwards to 10 then 20 etc. Also look out for numbers when you are out and about over the course of the holidays. If you take part in the Advent Trails around High Shincliffe or Shincliffe Village, then you could play a game of "Spot the Advent numbers" as you are walking around.

Thank you!

A HUGE thank you for all of the good wishes and cards which we have received from the children. We both absolutely love working with the children, but your kind words and sentiments are much appreciated by both of us. This has definitely been one of the most unusual terms we have ever lived through in school but your wonderful children have kept us both going with their positivity and zest for learning - an enormous well done to our gorgeous Reception Class!

from,
Mrs Short and Mrs Silvester

Merry Christmas everyone
and
enjoy the holidays!