

# Starlings Class Newsletter 3rd December 2021



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### What have we learned this week?

Christmas fever has certainly been plentiful in Starlings this week. The children were thrillled to see their classroom decorated by the elves overnight and have enjoyed making paper chains and decorations for the tree. Seeing the snow and ice on Monday was exciting and the children were eager to explore the outdoor area. They enjoyed mark making in the frost, cracking the ice and discovering that ice melts and turns to water when it gets warm.

We have been looking at number recognition this week where children have been able to visually recognise and name numbers in their play. We have enjoyed many number hunts in and out of the classroom.

In phonics we have been singing nursery rhymes and it has been great to see the children's confidence grow and join in with the actions. We have also been continuing to practice our songs for the Christmas play. You are in for a treat!

Our favourite story this week has been 'The Gingerbread Man'. During our playing and learning time we have been re acting the story using props and thinking of ways he could get over the river safely by making wooden bridges. We have made puppets, masks and salt dough Gingerbread Man decorations which we will decorate next week.

### Sign of the week

Where



## Stars of the week





### **Home Learning Challenge**

Can you spot any numbers around your house or when you are out and about? Perhaps you may see some on road signs or house doors?

### **School Dates**

3<sup>rd</sup> Dec – reports sent home

6th & 8th Dec - Parent consultation evenings

7th Dec - Messy Christingle

8<sup>th</sup> Dec – New Starters Stay & Play

9<sup>th</sup> Dec – Pantomime at school

10<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christmas Jumper and Christmas Dinner

13th Dec - Godly Play led by St Oswald's

17th Dec 2pm - School closed for Christmas

#### Reminders

Please can all home toys and any other unnecessary items stay at home.

If you haven't done so already, please could you send in a pair of wellies that we can keep in school for your child?

We would also love some more family photos!

Please could we ask for the outfits for the Christmas play to be sent in with your child. We are asking them to have black top and bottoms.

If anyone is having issues with Tapestry, or needs support to set it up, please contact the office. We are happy to help!

Thank you ©

If you ever have any concerns about the safety or wellbeing of a child at our school, please speak to one of our Safeguarding Leads: Designated Safeguarding Leads: Mrs Nikkie Beniams or Miss Emma Roberts.