



9 December 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Reception Weekly Information – w/b 9.12.24

Christmas Jumper Day

Save the Children charity event
Wear a Christmas jumper and non uniform day - £1.00 donation
Thursday 12.12.24

Show and Tell

Indigo groups will have their turn on Friday.
See details below.

YR Christmas party

This is during school on Friday 13.12.24 for children only (No change of clothes required)

Look for a sticker in your child's Learning Journal from last week with a suggested donation of food for the party.

Christmas party

On Friday 13 December we will be enjoying our class Christmas parties! We'll play party games and share in a little party tea during the afternoon at school. There is a sticker in your child's Learning Journal to ask for them to bring a small amount of food to share (to ensure that we don't end up with everyone bringing the same!) Each child will be asked to bring **six of the same item** e.g. six individual packets of crisps, six cakes. You won't need to supply enough for the whole class. When buying please keep in mind that we are a nut free school.

Festive jumper for performances

Next week are Reception's First Christmas Songs performances:

RB - Tuesday 17.12.24

RH - Wednesday 18.12.24

RP - Thursday 19.12.24

These will be at 8.45am in the Hall and will be finished by 9.30am.

For the performance we will ask children to wear a festive top instead of their normal school jumper or cardigan. This could be a traditional 'Christmas Jumper' or it might be a jumper or top in a Christmassy colour – red, green, white or sparkly! Please could we ask you to kindly send them into school (clearly labelled with their name) on Friday 13 or Monday 16 December at the very latest.

Learning Question of the week: How do people celebrate Christmas?

This week we will read a range of Christmas stories and discuss how Christmas is celebrated by different people. We will be practising our writing skills and being creative when making our Christmas cards.

From our Early Years curriculum the key skills we will focus on are:

- Understand that different environments need different movements to be navigated safely.
- Write all the letters when I hear the sound.
- Recognise that people have different beliefs and celebrate special times in different ways.
- Blend sounds into words orally.

- Manipulate small objects that need use of one hand, or a pinching motion (beads/sequins/stickers etc).
- Subitise confidently to 5 in a range of context.
- Use talk to work out problems or organise activities with others.
- Be able to wait for a turn in a game or activity and understand why this is important.
- Learn simple songs to be performed.

Phonics

Playing a game of 'I Spy' is a great way to practice orally blending whilst having fun! 'I spy with my little eye, a.... m-a-t.'

We are currently assessing all the children, and we are delighted to see that most of the children across the year group can now confidently recognise all of the single letter sounds and are using these to read words! This is such an exciting time in your child's reading journey. Thank you for your continued support at home, which is invaluable to their progress.

Why not try reading words with Maya and Zain?

<https://tinyurl.com/bp4wwr7h>

<https://tinyurl.com/58rjahaq>

If your child isn't completely confident on all the single letter sounds, here are some of the letters we've noticed they may be missing:

Letter J <https://tinyurl.com/28tsahcy>

Letter y <https://tinyurl.com/3zdz26ez>

Letter w <https://tinyurl.com/3j8ehn7u>

Reading

Some words we learn to read are called '**red**' words. These are words that are not decodable using our usual 'Fred Talk' method. We need to learn these by sight. We will be introducing new 'red' words each week and will put a sticker in your child's journal to let you know what they are. Please practice recognising these words at home. They are words that you will often see in books.

This week's red word is:

said

Red words from previous weeks:

I, my, the, you

Concept Word

This week's concept word is: **different**

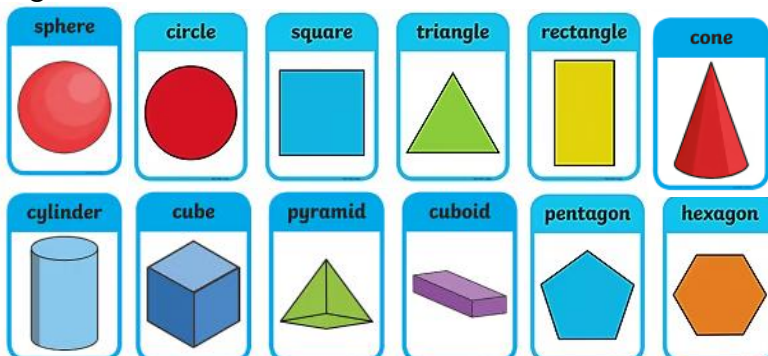


Help at home: Put any two items in the bag that are similar but a little different from one another. Sort through a pile of clothing and talk about how the items are different.

Maths

In maths, we will be thinking about statistics and how information can be represented in different ways using graphs, charts and other methods! We'll be taking part in some class surveys to gather information!

We have been looking at different shapes each week, including 2D (flat) shapes and 3D (fat) shapes. Can your child spot any shapes in your home? Perhaps you could go on a shape hunt together?



Show and Tell: Families

Show and Tell is on Friday for the **Indigo** group from each class and the theme is 'family.' Show and tell is an opportunity for each child to share something special with their class practising their

speaking skills. The rest of the class practise their listening skills and have the chance to ask questions too.

Theme: Family

Your child might want to share a picture or drawing of their family to talk about. Photos can be emailed to parents@stamford-green.surrey.sch.uk and should be labelled with your child's name and class in the in the subject bar. Please could we ask that children don't bring in anything precious/irreplaceable. The other groups will have their turns to show and tell as the term goes on – so only the named group should bring their show and tell next week.

We hope you have a lovely week,

Mrs Ball, Miss Poole and Mrs Price



For your calendar:

Wednesday 11.12.24

School Council's Generations Coffee Morning.

Grandparents, retired neighbours are welcome to join our School Councillors for a cup of tea, some biscuits and a lovely chat.

Friday 20.12.24

School closes early for the Christmas holiday.

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Sunset Collection:	
2.30pm or 3.30pm - 4.00pm	

Coming up soon:

December		
w/b 9.12.24	-	Last week for Internal clubs
Tuesday 10.12.24	9.00am – 9.30am	YN Nativity Tableaux for families in the Hall Children taking part will be those attending Nursery that day
Wednesday 11.12.24	All day	Y1 Bright lights, big cities day
Wednesday 11.12.24	10.30am – 11.45am	School Council's Generations coffee morning – Grandparents, retired neighbours are welcome to join our School Councillors
Wednesday 11.12.24 – Tuesday 17.12.24	-	Children's Christmas cards to each other can be posted in the Christmas post box at the East and West Gates
Wednesday 11.12.24	8.45am – 9.30am	Y4 Carols by Candlelight for Parents/Carers in the Hall – Two seats per child
Thursday 12.12.24	-	Save the Children charity event – Wear a Christmas jumper and non uniform day - £1 donation
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Monday 16.12.24	8.45am – 9.45am	Y3 Nativity for Parents/Carers in the Hall – Two seats per child																
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Reminders for you:

Christmas Performances at School (Y1 – Y4)

There will only be two seats per child, due to the limited space in the hall. If you are bringing a younger child with you, they will need to sit on your lap. Please be aware that if you are attending a performance, you will not be able to leave during the show.

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Christmas Performance – West Gate

If parents/carers wish to leave via the West Gate after a performance, please wait at the East Gate and once everyone is out of the hall and ready, you will be taken up to the West Gate together. You will not be able to walk up unaccompanied and buzz yourself out.

Community News- Bake Sale

Our fantastic Year 6 Community Prefects will be running a bake sale for Pets As Therapy on Monday 16 December. At Stamford Green we are lucky enough to benefit from support from Max and Bella (and Coco in training) and this Christmas we would like to spread this joy to others. Pets As Therapy four-legged friends visit hospitals, care homes, schools and hospices where they help to mend hearts, lift spirits and bring hope to people facing some of life's toughest challenges. So, join us on Monday 16 December and enjoy some yummy baked goods and help a good cause at the same time!

Cash donations only so please bring change. For more information about Pets As Therapy please go to <https://petsastherapy.org/>

Can you help?

Iftar Planning Committee

Next spring, we would like to host a school Iftar during Ramadan. Everyone will be welcome. The event will be a wonderful opportunity for the whole school community to come together at this special time. We are looking for volunteers to be part of our planning committee, to advise and support the event. If you feel you would like to be part of this team, please contact Mrs Temlett via email parents@stamford-green.surrey.sch.uk