



8 December 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

## Reception Weekly Information – w/b 8.12.25

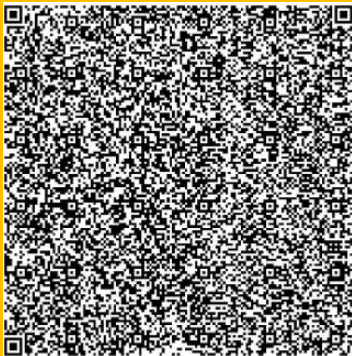
### Christmas Jumper Day

Save the Children charity event.

Wear a Christmas jumper and non-uniform day - £1 donation

Thursday 11.12.25

This year we will be requesting donations by card payment only. You can scan the QR code here



or on any of the posters that you will see up around the school.

Or click [this link](#) to our JustGiving page.

### Show and Tell

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

### YR Christmas party

This is during school on Friday 12.12.25 for children only (No change of clothes required)

Please send in a small party snack for your child to have during the afternoon.

Our Second Hand Uniform Shop will be open on Wednesday 10 December between 8.35am – 9.00am in the Club House. Please enter and exit via the South Gate. All items are priced at £1 each. This will be the last time the shop is open before the Christmas break.

### Community Prefect Bake Sale

On Wednesday 10 December after school, our Y6 Community Prefects will be selling delicious baked goods to raise money for GOSH.

The sale will take place at both East and West Gates and will be cash only please.

### Christmas Party

On Friday we will be enjoying our class Christmas parties! We'll play party games and have some disco dancing. Children are welcome to bring in a small snack for themselves to have during the party afternoon. 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 16.12.25

RH: Wednesday 17.12.25

RP: Thursday 18.12.25

The office doors will be open from 8.35am for access to the Hall and performances 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 in to school (clearly labelled with their name) on Friday 12 December or Monday 15 December at the very latest.

### Learning Question of the week: How do you celebrate Christmas?

This week we will read a range of Christmas stories and discuss how Christmas is celebrated by different people. We will be practicing 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/45ntjyuv>

<https://tinyurl.com/3cb53c5s>

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/5ftfyt4y>

Letter y <https://tinyurl.com/mrm248ys>

Letter w <https://tinyurl.com/2xm84zef>

### 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: **Forwards**



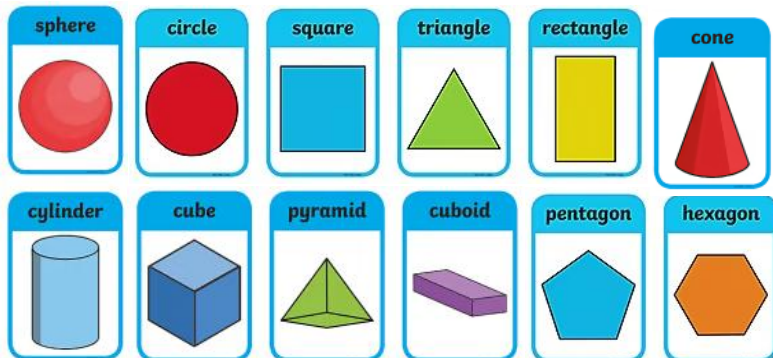
Help at home: In a safe space, walk in different directions – **forwards** and not **backwards**.

## 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 practicing 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](mailto:parents@stamford-green.surrey.sch.uk) and should be labelled with your child's name and class 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  
YR Class Teachers