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ROBINS CLASS NEWSLETTER

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Last Week

We've made a great start at starting to learn the lines and song words for our nativity. Thank you for your help with this at home.

Y1's also made some brilliant globes in Geography last week, naming the different continents.

THIS WEEK

We will be learning...

English

We will be continuing to practice performing the nativity story – Wiggly Nativity.

You can help your child by:

Retell the nativity story at home.

Help your child learn their lines, encouraging them to speak loudly, slowly and clearly.

Help your child learn the songs from the nativity. Lyrics have been sent home, please let us know if you need another sheet. Songs are also available to listen to on YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SqQOKB6XB4I&list=PLgfueF123OtW9d1SfwGU34v9jGJcL6bfZ>

Phonics

YR – Children will be consolidating the sounds **f, e, l, h**. Now that children are becoming more familiar with recognizing the sounds we will be focusing more on blending, building and writing words.

Y1 – Children will be learning these initial consonant blends this week – **sp, tr, gr** and polysyllabic words e.g. **sandpit, windmill**

You can help your child by:

- YR - Continue practicing the different sounds.
- Some children will have little books to practice blending 3 letter words.
- Some children will also have a short ditty sheet to practice reading a longer piece.

Y1 – Practice reading their phonics reading book, including the green and red words at the front of the book.

Year R Maths

Children will be looking at identifying squares and rectangles. We will also be looking at time and identifying things that happen during the day and at night.

You can help your child by:

Go on a shape hunt – can you spot squares and rectangles. Discuss with your child the difference between them.

Use vocabulary regarding different times of the day e.g. morning, afternoon, evening, night. Talk to your child about events in your day e.g. now, next, later on.

Year 1 Maths

Children will continue looking at place value to 20. We will be identifying one more and one less than a given number. We will be comparing amounts and numbers and ordering numbers.

You can help your child by:

Count forwards and backwards to 20.

Spot numerals to 20 in the environment – can they tell you the number one more or one less?

Practice writing numerals and numbers as words.

Topic

Christmas has arrived at Benwick school! This week we will be focusing mainly on art and DT skills.

We will be using our Jackson Pollock inspired artwork we did last week to create Christmas decorations for our classroom.

We will be creating special calendars and Christmas cards as gifts for you or other family members.

We have a Kerling workshop on Thursday too.

Dates and Notes

Do you have any toy sheep at home? We have shepherds for our nativity but no sheep! If you have any toy sheep at home we would love to borrow them for our nativity.

On **Wednesday 6th January 2021**, I will be holding a phonics workshop via Zoom. I will explain our approach to teaching phonics and give suggestions on how you can support your child with reading at home. Mrs. Talbot will be emailing you the Zoom link in due course.

Have a lovely week
The Robins Team

