



Saint Mary's R.C. Primary School

EYFS Newsletter

Friday 15th December 2023

Challenge

Each week we set a challenge for your child. This is an opportunity for you to support your child in their learning and for you to find out about what we do in school. Please complete the challenge each week as the children feel left out if their friends have done it and they haven't! All challenges need to be in school no later than the Thursday.

FS1

Your child will be bringing home a game: Robbie the Robot posting busy bag pack. Please see the letter attached to the game which explains how to make it and play it.

FS2

Please work on supporting your child to know all set 1 sounds. If they already know these, speedily and securely, please work on set 2.

Topic- FS1

The children have been enjoying making some special gifts for their Mummies and Daddies. We have been doing some Christmas maths as well as working hard on our phonics. The children have enjoyed dressing up in Christmas costumes in our role play area.

Class Names

FS1 (Mrs Openshaw's class) are called **Sparrows**.
FS2G (Mrs Gerrard's class) are called the **Wrens**
FS2M (Mrs Morton's class) are called the **Robins**

Newsletter Colours

Anything in black writing is applicable to both FS1 (Nursery) children and FS2 (Reception) children.
Anything in **red** is for **FS1 children/ parents**.
Anything in **blue** is for **FS2 children/ parents**.

Times

FS1 times are: 8.45-8.55 am (for morning children and full timers) 11.45 am finish for morning children. Afternoon start is 12pm. All children finish at 3.00 pm. Please be on time at the beginning and end of the day. **FS2 times are:** 8.45-55am start and 3.00 pm finish. Please be on time at the beginning and end of the day.

Topic- FS2

We have been reading the Christmas story, as we prepared for our Christmas concert. The children have been engaging in class discussions about the Christmas story. They have been enjoying getting creative as we have started making some special gifts for all you mummies and daddies - you will have to wait to see what your surprises are!

CHILDREN WHO LEARN AND KNOW RHYMES ARE BETTER COMMUNICATORS, READERS AND WRITERS, THAN THOSE WHO DON'T!

FS1 Weekly Vocabulary

Please try to use this vocabulary with your children.

Topic Vocab: Christmas, Baby Jesus, Nativity, stable, manger

Maths vocab: count, touch, altogether, 1 2 3 4 5

This week's songs, rhymes, poems and stories

Please sing or let your child listen to these rhymes.

Rhymes/poems and songs: Christmas songs

Stories: Christmas stories

Thank you...

A big thank you for coming to our concerts. We hope you enjoyed them. The children all worked so hard learning lots of new songs and actions!

Friday 22nd December

We finish for Christmas on Friday 22nd December. Please see the following times for which your child will finish:

FS1/FS2: 12.50-1pm

KS1: 1.10pm

KS2: 1.15pm

Please ensure you are on time to collect your child.

Christmas dates

Monday 18th December

Magician and party day - The children can wear their own party clothes as long as they are suitable for outdoor play. Please also ensure they are wearing suitable footwear.

Please send in donations of prizes e.g. sweets, colouring books, pens or party bag prizes. We would also like donations of cakes.

Thank you for your continued support.

Thank you for all your help in supporting our charities. Before Christmas we would like donations of cakes: yule logs, Christmas cake etc so we can provide a little cheer to those less fortunate than ourselves.

FS2 Weekly Vocabulary

Please try to use this vocabulary with your children.

Topic Vocab: Christmas, Baby Jesus, Nativity, celebration, birthdays, cake, candles, presents, party

Maths vocab: making 6, counting, matching, more/less, number stories.

This week's songs, rhymes, poems and stories

Please sing or let your child listen to these rhymes.

Rhymes/Poems and songs: God loves me, gather together, Jesus' love is very wonderful, heads shoulders knees and toes, 1 2 3 4 5 fish alive

Stories: Christmas stories

RWI- FS2

It is really important that all the children know set 1 sounds before Christmas. All the children have brought home a pack of RWI flashcards. Please support your children to learn these. The children will be being assessed next Tuesday.

