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Class Newsletter

# Merry Christmas

Well Done everyone

It has been a pleasure to see the children succeed in their learning this term. They have made very good progress from their starting points and have worked really hard to develop their skills in all areas. We look forward to working with the children and you again next term for what looks to be an exciting term.

Topic news

We have had a discussion with the children about their learning next term and together we have agreed that we would like to learn more about our world. Our topic next term will be entitled, 'Take a trip around the world.' We have planned with the children to turn our current 'Doctor's Surgery' into an airport/travel agents and the children have already expressed an interest in learning about particular countries. So far on our list, we intend to learn about the geography and culture of Poland, Portugal, China (incorporating Chinese New Year,) France, Spain and Germany, We will give you more information about the topic in the New Year. If any parents have connections with these particular countries and are willing to come in to talk to the children, you would be most welcome. It has been lovely learning from parents who work in the Emergency/medical professions this term. We really value your involvement and we firmly believe the children learn so much from these visits.

Phonics reinforcement.

Just to remind you, during our daily phonic sessions we sometimes play games to help reinforce the children's knowledge of a particular sound. A website that we use that you may like to look at with your child is

<http://www.letters-and-sounds.com/>

On this website you will find a range of games which allow you to revisit sounds we have taught the children in the classroom. Popular games with the children at the moment are 'Obb and Bob' and 'Buried Treasure.'

Phonics and Word blending

Please note that this week we have added the letters sh" and 'th' to your child's phonics book. Please spend time looking at

s	a	t	p	i	n	m	d	g	o
c	k	ck	e	u	r	h	b	f	l
j	v	w	x	y	z	qu	ch	sh	th

The words below are words that you could help your child decode using their 'robot' arms.'

a	as	at	sat
pat	is	it	pit
nap	man	in	mat
din	dim	dip	dig
cod	cot	cat	sack
rat	red	rod	run
pen	pet	nut	tuck
hat	hot	hen	bag
fog	huff	leg	fill
jug	jam	van	vet
wet	win	wax	box
yes	yet	zip	fizz
quiz	quick	chip	chat
ship	hush	this	path

Tricky Words

In our phonics lessons we teach the children 3 new 'tricky words' every week.

We explain that these are words that cannot be sounded out, but that you learn by 'sight.'

Please continue to look at these words with your child. Thank you.

the	to	I
no	go	into
he	she	we
me	be	was
you	they	all
are	my	her
said	have	like

We would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a peaceful and Happy Christmas.

Mrs Evans  
Mrs Harrop  
Mrs Crumbleholme

