

# Our Week In Reception

Friday 3rd December 2021

N E W H A L L

This week we read a story called 'Aliens love Underpants.' What a funny story. It is all about aliens that steal our underpants. The children love the idea that there may be aliens on different planets and we spent time this week designing our own planets which aliens could live on. Our writing this week was all around what they would do if they were aliens. There were lots of incredible ideas like stealing only one sock, licking rocks and even taking all the teachers!

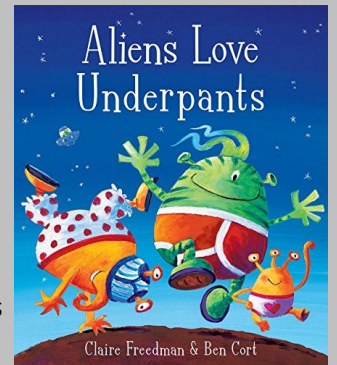
In maths this week we have been focusing on the number six and subitising from a dice. We have played lots of games to support children having instant recognition of numbers from the dice. Playing board games together is a great way for children to develop this skill too.

We are starting to discuss Christmas and the children are very excited. We decorated our class doors with Christmas and winter themes (for a school competition). Over the next couple of weeks we will be making Christmas decorations and doing lots of crafts at school. We will be reading the Nativity story and discussing the meaning behind Christmas.

The children are very busy practising their Nativity songs and we can't wait to perform it for you next week. Please be reminded that there is no photography/filming allowed due to safeguarding. We have a photographer coming in to take photos of each child which will be available for you to buy.

We will be having a class party in the last week of term. We would like to buy some party foods for the children to have on this day. Please can we ask for a £1 donation towards party snacks/drinks so we can ensure all allergies/food intolerances are catered for and considered.

Have a wonderful weekend. The Reception Team—Miss Gooch, Miss Maddams, Miss Watson and Mrs Matthews.



## Home learning task.

Next week we will be focusing on sequencing and starting with our daily routine. Please can you discuss with your children—what do they need to do when they are getting ready for school. Does the order matter? What do you do first?

## Important dates:

- **Tuesday 7th December**—Reception Nativity. Willow class families at 9.30am. Cherry class families at 2.30pm. Please be reminded there will only be 2 guest seats allocated per child.
- **Monday 13th December**—Planetarium visit. We will be having packed lunches on this day. These will be provided by school for free.
- **Tuesday 14th December**—Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper day. It gets very hot in school so your child can wear a Christmas t-shirt instead/as well if they like.
- **Wednesday 15th December**—Great Sleigh Ride and Harlow Playhouse. Please ensure your child brings in a named water bottle they can take with them.