



YEAR R WRENS

Class Teacher: Mrs Woods

Learning Support Assistant: Mr Miles

Important diary dates and reminders

Thursday 7th December – deadline for bringing in pre-loved Christmas jumpers (poster attached)

Thursday 7th December – *Wrens theatre trip*

Saturday 9th December – *Grayswood School Christmas Fair*

Notices

KIRFs – Next half term is to recognise quantities up to 5 without counting (subitise)

PE – PE next will be on Monday 20th November instead of Friday, please can the class come in wearing their PE kits 😊

Personal Belongings – We've had quite a few toys brought into school over the last few weeks and as much as we love to see them, some children are becoming upset when their personal toys are being tidied away by others or are getting lost. Please can I ask that unless we've asked for toys to be brought in that they stay at home.

Class Update

This week we have celebrated Diwali, a religious event which is also known as the festival of light. We listened to the story of Rama and Sita which celebrates the triumph of light over darkness. Wrens have been creating rangoli designs, dressing up for the occasion and have even made diyas out of clay. The class also enjoyed participating in a Diwali dance on Wednesday.












In phonics we have learnt our final single sound 'z' and a couple of digraphs with some catch phrases to help remember them.

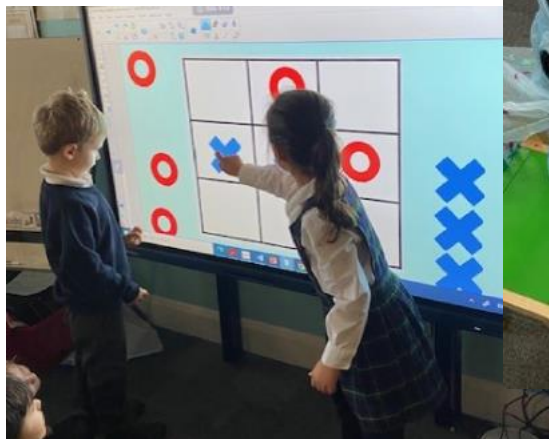
qu – quick it's the queen

ch – chew the cherries, children

We have also learnt the following tricky words: go, no, to, into

 	 <p>zebra</p>	<p>Show me your teeth and buzz the z sound zzzzz zzzzz</p>	<p>Across the top of the zebra's head, zig-zag down its neck and along.</p>
Grapheme and mnemonic	Picture card	Pronunciation phrase	Formation phrase / Catchphrase
 	 <p>queen</p>	<p>Pucker your mouth, then open it as you say qu qu qu</p>	<p>q Round the queen's face, down her robe and a flick at the end. qu Quick, it's the queen!</p>
 	 <p>cherries</p>	<p>Pucker your lips and show your teeth; use your tongue as you say ch ch ch</p>	<p>ch Chew the cherries, children.</p>

In maths this week we have learnt all about the number 3 and how it can be made up of a 1+1+1 or 2+1. We have compared 1,2 and 3 using the language of more and less, taller, shorter, bigger and smaller.





On the writing table we have been creating rhyming stacks and then as a challenge the children were asked to write the rhymes. I was SO impressed with the progress the class have made with writing CVC words, so much so that many of the class received silver cards for their efforts!



Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Woods

Christmas



Poetry

Competition

Can you write a poem about what Christmas means to you?
Only one rule - make sure it is less than 250 words.

One of the village's longest standing residents, Jean White, will be judging the competition - she is the organist at the church.

You could become famous because a new poem will appear on All Saints Church website every day in Advent....and it might be your poem!

There is a prize for the best poem written by a child under 12 years old, a £20 Amazon voucher

Send your entry to awheeler100@gmail.com
By **Friday, November 24th**
with your **name and age**

