

Week 6 8th-12th December

Welcome to our home school communication! Each week you will get an overview of the class learning and will be set some home tasks too. Home school communication books should be returned to school on a **Wednesday**.

Please remember you have access to reading books on the Oxford Owl website. These are books that we have shared during our guided reading sessions.

We are very proud of all the children, they were superstars in our Nativities, thank you for all the help and support, learning lines, songs and supporting with costumes.

Please find below the summary of our week in school.	
In the Classroom...	This week the children have been very busy enjoying lots of Christmas-themed learning. They made lunch for Santa's elves in the water, created Christmas tree decorations, and made more Christmas cards. They also enjoyed cutting out gingerbread men and sticking their clothes on. The children played with the train track and took part in festive role play in the Christmas role play area. They have also been writing Christmas lists for Father Christmas.
Outside the classroom...	Outside, the children have been pushing and pulling barrels and logs. They also enjoyed building obstacle courses with bricks and planks. The children really enjoyed performing the Christmas nativity for you all. We hope you liked it! The children have worked so hard and we are incredibly proud of them!
Phonics	We have continued to review the previous sounds ch , sh and th . The children have been practising harder-to-read-and-spell words, as well as reading sentences using their robot arms to help with segmenting and blending skills. We read "Blending book number 8" and "An Odd Bug."
Maths	In Maths, the children have been recapping one more and one less by adding and subtracting teeth to the monsters' mouths. We have used language such as '4 is one more than 3', '1 more than 3 is 4', '3 is one less than 4' and '1 less than 4 is 3'. We played some shape games naming shapes and making pictures with shapes.
Home learning	Home learning over the Christmas holidays will focus on practising Phase 2 and 3 sounds, and the harder-to-read and spell words. A pack has been sent home to support this. Practising these will be highly beneficial for the children's learning and progress. As always, we appreciate, and thank you for your continued support.
Diary dates	Gingerbread Man Show at Macready theatre – now on Tuesday 16th December Reception celebration assembly – Friday 19th December at 9am .

Please remember to visit the school website for the photos. [Reception class page](#)

Mrs Francis, Mrs Clarke & Mrs Hartwell