

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.

Next half term, we will be learning all about **People Who Help Us** – if you would like to come in to talk to the children all about your job, you are very welcome, please talk to us at the door. Thank you

Outdoor forest learning will continue to be on a **Monday** and PE on a **Friday**. Thank you

Please find below the summary of our week in school.	
In the Classroom...	This week has been full of festive fun and exciting learning opportunities. In the classroom, the children enjoyed taking part in a range of Christmas-themed activities. They painted pictures of elves, Santa and Christmas trees, and also cut and stuck gingerbread men. Their adult led activity this week was writing gingerbread men recipes. The children thoroughly enjoyed our Christmas party, where they shared delicious food and took part in a variety of party games. They were also lucky enough to have a visit and present from Santa!
Outside the classroom...	We also had some exciting experiences outside of the classroom. The children went on a trip to the theatre to watch The Gingerbread Man, which linked closely to our learning. The trip was very exciting, and the children behaved exceptionally well throughout-we were extremely proud of them. In addition, we watched the Rocksteady concert and were impressed by the confidence and talent of the musicians in our school.
Phonics	In phonics, we revised Phase 2 and 3 sounds. The children practised recognising these sounds and looked for digraphs within words, helping to develop their reading and blending skills. They also wrote words with the digraphs in.
Maths	In Maths, we revisited our learning on number bonds to 5, as well as practising finding one more and one less. The children also continued to explore shapes, identifying and talking about their properties.
Home learning	Please continue to read with your child and practise the Phase 2/3 sounds and harder-to-read and spell words that were sent home last week. Please have lots of Christmas holiday fun!
Diary dates	Teacher training day – Monday 5 th January Back to school – Tuesday 6 th January

We would like to wish all our families a safe and restful Christmas break. Thank you for your continued support throughout the term-it is truly appreciated. Thank you for the cards, gifts and Christmas wishes. We hope you enjoy spending time together over the holidays, and we look forward to welcoming the children back on Tuesday 6th January.

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

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