



Hedgehog class's weekly newsletter



What have we been learning this week?

This week has been assessment week for Year 1 and Year 2 children. All of the children demonstrated excellent perseverance, especially those who found the assessments challenging! The assessments provided a great insight into how much the children know and how we can support their learning further.

English – All children this week have had whole class standalone lessons on handwriting. We discussed ascenders and descenders, as well as where each letter should start on the line. Year 1 and 2 – This week the children have all published their non-chronological reports and they will now be photocopied to create a class non-fiction book all about our senses! Reception – This week the children have been demonstrating their independent writing in different areas of the classroom.

Maths – Year 1 and 2. This week, the children have continued their learning on subtraction. We have focussed on using a number line to support the concept of subtraction as well as various manipulatives. Reception children have continued their learning of the number 4. The children have been focussing on subitising and playing snap when they have a card which represents the same amount as the previous one.

ICT – Year 2 – The children continued their topic of photography. I think we have some future photographers! Year 1 – The children were inspired by the Kandinsky. They used the paint program to create their own picture using colours layered on top of each other in a circle shape.

Nativity – All children have been rehearsing brilliantly with the nativity performance, I am very proud. We have 2 dress rehearsals next week, one to the whole school and another to the preschool children. I will send out an additional email to some parents regarding a few items we require for Monday. Please can I remind you all that the ticket letter, which went home on Wednesday, must be returned on **Monday** so that we can ensure there are enough chairs out for those attending.

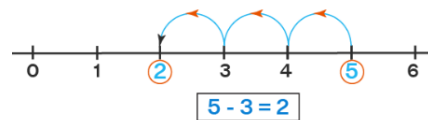
Spellings – As this week was assessment week, the children have not received their new spellings. They will get their new list on Monday.

Reminders

- **Nativity performance will be Thursday 8th December at 1:30 and 6pm.** If your child is unable to attend the evening performance please can you let me know ASAP so that we can make alternative arrangements for their role in the nativity.
- Please read with your child and write this in their reading diary. The love of reading book can be their library book but it can also be any books that you read together at home. Also, ensure your child's reading diary, reading folder is in school every day.
- **Tuesday 13th December – Pantomime trip**
- **Wednesday 14th December – Christmas jumper day**
- **Friday 16th December – Carol service**

Miss Burroughs's idea of the week

Maths – Year 1 and 2 – Can you demonstrate your knowledge of subtraction using a number line? Maybe you could make your own number line to use?



Reception – How many ways can you represent the number 4? Maybe you could collect items from your house or a walk and arrange them in various ways.



Certificates this week were awarded to: Daisy and Joel. James G received an out of school achievement certificate for swimming 20 lengths in his swimming lessons! Well done to you all!