

Dear Parents and Carers,

Weekly Learning Letter Week 3

Congratulations to Addison and Mabel who received our Star of the Week certificate!

Congratulations to Zac who received our Value certificate this week!

Phonics

In phonics we have introduced the children to the letters y z zz and the sounds that they make. We found out that when you hear z at the start of a word (zip), we use one z but when we generally hear z in the middle or at the end of a word (dazzle/fizz), we usually use the diagraph zz; two letters that make one sound.

We have continued to read our next set of tricky words; me be.

Maths

Through number games, we have been counting, recognising numerals and subitising arrangements of up to five objects (saying how many without needing to count). By singing 5 little speckled frogs and exploring dominoes, we have spotted numbers within numbers such as different ways to make 4 and 5. "3 and one makes 4."

Topic – Amazing Animals / Nativity

Through stories, we have found out about Africa and the amazing animals that live there. We have



learned where the continent of Africa is and what the weather is like. We have discovered many different landscapes including the desert, rainforest and savannah. We also watched Go Jettors explore the continent of Africa and joined Andy for a Wild Adventure as he searches for elephants in Kenya.

Nativity updates – Ladybirds will be STARS and will join Butterflies and Fireflies for parts of the Nativity. We have now begun putting the Nativity together and we can inform you what parts Ladybirds will be in. Ladybirds will be part of 3 group songs and will perform their own song on stage for you to enjoy. Ladybirds will start in the hall as part of the audience and will join in half way through.

Nativity costumes – A gentle reminder that all costumes need to be in a named bag by Friday 29th November 2024 please. If you are unable to provide a costume, please let us know ASAP so we can source one for you.

Phonics Workshop - Thank you to those parents that were able to attend our phonics workshop! We hope you came away with new ideas on how to support your child with reading at home! A copy of the slide show will be available to view on our class page for those who were unable to attend.

Home Learning Challenge

Please practice writing the letters y z zz and complete the tasks on our sing it, say it, sort it sheets. Ask your child to practice writing the tricky words: no go the to I into using their book marks.

Have a lovely weekend

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