# YEAR 1



## Coming up next week...04/12/2023

#### Maths

In maths we will be learning about 2D and 3D shape. The children will be identifying and naming the 3D shapes: cube, cuboid, sphere, pyramid, cone and cylinder and 2D shapes: square, rectangle/oblong, circle, triangle. They will also be learning about properties of 2D shapes using the vocabulary: sides and corners for 2D and faces, curved and flat for 3D shapes.

### **English**

We will be helping Father Christmas explain rhyme to his elves by recognising rhyming pairs and then generating their own rhyming strings. In addition to this we will be practising our list writing and revising the 's' and 'es' plural rule.

#### **Phonics**

Now the children have been taught many alternative graphemes, this week we will introduce them to the term 'grow the code'. For example we know now the /ee/ sound can be made in these additional ways: e (me), ea (beach), ie (belief), e-e (these) This week we will be revising all the tricky words we have covered so far.

## Reading

We will continue to work on our Bug Club text: The Artist by Joseph Coelho. We will be exploring the vocabulary: technique, brushstrokes, foreground, background and middle ground amongst others and answering a range of different question styles.

Our focus in fluency this week will be 'pace'. The children will be learning and performing the song: Happy Christmas to the tune Frere Jacques.

## Topic

In History we will be continuing our topic by finding out what it was like to shop for food and exploring how food was packaged and stored.

We a re going to have a DT block next week where we learn about wheels and axles. Please can we have boxes donated (no larger than a cereal box) for our vehicle making in DT.

In PSHE we will be talking about people who are special to us and explaining why. Next in our learning about the Nativity we will be finding out about who visited Baby Jesus and why they were important people.

## Reminders

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December** is the Children's Christmas dinner. The children are invited to wear a Christmas jumper over their school uniform if they wish on this day.

Year 1 Christmas performances- T'was the Week Before Christmas: 9.15 Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 10.15 Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December

Lines for our school production have been sent home. Please help your child to learn them. All children were asked if they would like an individual speaking part. If your child has not got lines to learn please do not worry, they will be participating fully in another way.

#### Christmas Production Costume Request

Please ensure all costumes are named and sent into school in a named carrier bag by Friday 8<sup>th</sup>.

To support us in producing our Christmas play we are asking for your help in providing the following costumes for the children.

**Badgers** will be performing as Wise men. They will need black trousers/leggings and a 'plain jewel coloured' top e.g. yellow, red, and purple. If possible a plain coloured cloak.

**Hedgehogs** will be need an all-black outfit. We will be adding stars so please be aware that these will be attached at school. If you are able to support with this at home please do.

**Squirrels** will be performing as Shepherds. They will need black or grey leggings/trousers, a white, cream or brown t- shirt and a Tea towel for their head dress.

If you need any help with anything at all please let your class teacher know. Many thanks for your help.

The class email addresses are: badgers@mead.surrey.sch.uk

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