

# Coming up next week...6/12/2021

Please remember to complete the Parent Mail form giving consent for your child to take part in our virtual Christmas Singalong.

Don't forget your entries for the book character drawing/painting competition need to be in school on <u>Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December</u> so that the school council can choose a winner for each year group. Please see Miss Akrimi's letter for further details.

## Learning in school:

**Theme for the Term:** Celebrations! Everyone enjoys a celebration and there are so many across a year. We will dip into a few to find out what is celebrated and how the occasion is marked.

# Theme for the week: Oh No! Shark in the Snow!

Following on from our exciting virtual author visit last week we will continue to work on the story Oh No! Shark in the Snow! This week we will become authors too. We will use the repetitive structure from the story we know, to create our own version of the story: Oh Cool! Shark in the School! The children will use digital devices to photograph potential shark images around the school and then write some text to go with it.

#### Phonics:

This week in school we will be assessing our phonics knowledge. We will be reviewing all the graphemes we have learned this term. We will also be practising plurals and revising all the tricky words we have covered too.

#### Maths:

This week, we will be learning about time. Time can be a tricky concept for young children to grasp so we will begin by thinking about familiar daily routines and talking about when things happen and sequencing activities.

## Additional notes and reminders

For this week's homework we are sending home a list of tricky words. These are words that the children can't sound out and they need to recognise on sight. It might help your child remember the 'tricky' part if you highlight the challenging

part when you look at them. For example, in the word 'has' -the 'h' and 'a' are as expected but the 's' makes a 'zz' sound. You might want to copy the words to make a second set and then play matching games with them or cut them up and place them around the house to spot. They are also useful to have out for reference when you are sharing your child's reading book.

## Upcoming Christmas events:

\*Reception Virtual Christmas Singalong - Wed 15th December

(All children are invited to wear a Christmas jumper if they would like to with their school uniform on this day.)

Jellyfish Class - 9.30-9.45 Starfish Class - 9.45-10.00 Turtle Class - 10.00-10.15

\*Christmas lunch- Wednesday 15th December.

\*Santa Live- the children will be watching an online interactive Christmas Panto during the last week of school.

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Please note that as the week progresses it is sometimes necessary to change what is planned to meet the learning needs of the children and therefore changes to the above may occur.