



We have had a busy week practising for our Nativity, the children are doing a great job and have enjoyed being on stage.

This week in our topic "Once upon a time", we have been looking at the Nativity story. Turning our role play into the stable and writing a list for the things Mary and Joseph would need to pack. Who knew what you can fit into a suitcase!

In phonics we have continued to look at our phonemes, either recapping some of the sounds to consolidate the learning or beginning to learn some of the digraphs we find at the end of some words (please look at the sheet in their reading diaries). Some of the children have looks at the th digraph and discovered it is the only time you can put your tongue out at the teachers. 😊

In Maths we have looked at the composition of numbers and the different ways of making 4 and 5.

Finally, we are looking forward to catching up with some of you next week on parent's eve and sharing your child's work with you.

#### Next Week:

We will be looking at the stories with Kings and Queens in and looking at our own Royal family.

We will also be:

- looking at the book, "The Queen's Knickers" and designing a pair of pants for a member of the Royal family.
- becoming rulers for the day and making up our own rules.
- doing a dress rehearsal on Tuesday and looking forward to sharing our Nativity on Wednesday. (Please look at the letter about their costumes).
- continuing to form our letters correctly in handwriting.
- looking at one more and one less and shapes with four sides

#### Just a few reminders:

##### Hats, scarves and gloves.

As the weather gets colder a lot of the children are beginning to bring in hats and gloves, please can these be labelled too where possible.

##### Reading

We have put a note on the diaries this week reminding you of how we are going to change books. Please ensure all diaries and books are in the book bags for Thursday. We will then take these out and change them to be returned to you on a Friday. It can take a while to change the books, so by taking them out on a Thursday it gives us a chance to change the books without impacting on the children's learning times. We appreciate your support in returning the books on a Thursday to aid us in this book change over.

You will have noticed that we are counting the number of reads during the week. We check the number of times that your child is reading their reading book or practising their tricky words so please write down when you read.

We also have some missing book so please ensure all books are returned on a regular basis, thank you.

We are always around to answer any questions or queries that you may have.

There are couple of ways that you can contact us:

- Pop over to see us at the end of the day. Once we have dismissed the children safely, we are always available to have a chat.
- Phone the office to make an appointment with any one of us.
- Email the office to make an appointment. The office staff will forward the email to us and we will catch you or give you a ring to arrange a suitable time. [parentscorrespondence@st-peters.notts.sch.uk](mailto:parentscorrespondence@st-peters.notts.sch.uk)

Please do let us know of any concerns as quickly as possible. We can usually sort things out very quickly if you let us know.

Many thanks The Reception Team (Mrs Gibbens, Mrs Morrell, Miss Horsfield and Mrs Boulby).