## Foundation Home Learning



25th - 28th November 2019

Please remember that school is closed tomorrow (Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November)

Well can you believe it, November is nearly over and next week we start December, possibly the busiest, glitteriest and noisiest month of our school year. We so appreciate that in just 13 working days, yes just 13 days in school until we break up, there are assemblies, mufti, shows, festivals....the list goes on, but we hope you enjoy it as much as we do! If you have any questions at all, please do ask a member of the team and we will help as much as we can. Please see the Foundation dates on the reverse of home learning which will hopefully help as well.

This week has felt very short but filled with lots of fun, laughter and learning. The highlight of our week has been walking to the Life Centre to watch the incredible Marching Band from America. The children were absolutely superb in joining the whole school and we had a great time. Our Nursery rhyme of the week was the Grand Old Duke of York so we have enjoyed lots of drumming and instrument playing ourselves. We have linked this to our continuation of rhyming words and captions.

In Phonics this week we have completed Phase 3 set 7 by learning the phonemes y, z, zz and qu. Our tricky words this week have been be, was, you and they.

In Maths our focus this week has been on 2D shapes and finding them in our environment, talking about their names and how to describe them. Can you see any shapes at home or out and about?

Over the coming 13 days, our timetable, understandably, will be adapted to all of our Christmas festivities as we want to make the children's first Christmas in school a very special and enjoyable time. We will try to fulfil our weekly aims of listening to all children read but please bear with us if this is not always able to happen and keep up the super home reading - we really do appreciate your support. We will have a reading celebration for the children who are reading the most amount at home when we return to school in January as we just cannot fit it in this term.

Home Learning: We again appreciate there are lots of this to make or donate in the next few weeks but if you are able to complete this week's home learning that would be fantastic - thank you:

- This week please can you make a 'recycled' decoration for our class Christmas trees. This can be
  as simple as a painted piece of small junk modelling or if you have the time, a lovely sparkly
  creation to hang off our tree whatever is easiest for you but the material must be recycled
  (cereal box cardboard cut into a small star and decorated for example). Please could these be
  returned to school by Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December
- Please keep the donations coming for our reverse advent calendar to send to the food bank. This can be tins, biscuits, whatever you can spare from your cupboards
- Jars for the school fair with marshmallows, pencils, sweets in (these can be decorated or plain)



## Foundation Christmas Dates 2019

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December** - Foundation Toy and Gift Giveaway Assembly 2.30pm. Please return slips if you would like to attend

**Wednesday 4**th **December** - Christmas Tree Festival - families are more than welcome to walk around school at 3.15 to look at every classes recycled Christmas tree

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December - Class M and P to the Theatre, please return permission forms and pay on school money if not already done so

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December - Mufti for Class M and P. Children can wear home clothes and Foundation children bring a donation of a jar filled with goodies eg jam jar/coffee jar with sweets or marshmallows to be used as prizes at the school fair. You can decorate them if you wish

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December - Class S to the Theatre, please return permission forms and pay on school money if not already done so. Please can Class S children wear school uniform on this day for the theatre trip

Thursday 12th December - School closed for Polling Day

Friday 13th December - Christmas mufti and Christmas lunch for children

Friday 13th December - School Christmas Fair 3.15pm

Monday 16th December - Carols Around the Tree 6.30pm KS2 hall

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December - Foundation Christmas Party. This will be in the school day and children will still be in uniform. We would gratefully receive any donations of shop bought party food. Unfortunately we cannot accept homemade food due to allergies

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December - Foundation Christmas Song-a-long 2pm. Families and friends welcome to join us for our singalong. You do not need to apply for tickets, just turn up on the day. We would request no more than two adults per child due to health and safety regulations. Please can Foundation children wear Christmas jumpers/hats/accessories on this day

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December - Wishes Around the Tree 2pm. Foundation children can go home after this performance

Thursday 19th December - Last day of school

Here are the dates that Foundation already have in the diary for December, We appreciate Christmas is a very busy time for everyone and we will try and keep you as updated as possible but please ask the staff if you have any questions!

