

## Reception Newsletter: 13.12.19



Despite the lateness of the bus to Newcastle we thought the performance at the Northern stage was incredibly professional and very clever. Children were extremely well behaved, a pleasure to take and that is also due to the wonderful support from parents who took their time to come and support us. Staff would like me to pass on their sincere gratitude for all your help on the day.



Next week we will be having a routinely normal week. At this time of the year when children are feeling tired and unwell consistency of approach is so important to them to help them feel settled and safe.

## We will be:

- Learning a story map for the story 'The Gingerbread Man'
- Making gingerbread men by learning how to follow and read a recipe and set of instructions.
- We are going to reinforce our counting and correspondence to number by counting buttons onto the gingerbread men and solving number problems as challenge.
- We will be asking children to write about the story using their new phonic knowledge.
- We are observing what happens to a gingerbread man in different liquids. How it changes in shape, colour and smell.
- We will send a reading challenge home for the holidays as we will be collecting books in for auditing.
- Don't forget to continue to learn tricky words.
- We will be sending their weekend news book home for the first time so you can capture the reading challenge and any celebrations that the children would like to tell us about and share when they come back to school .( look out for guidance as to what to include and how to do this during next week).

Our stable role play has been a huge success! The children have been naturally acting out the Christmas story and putting some alternative slants on of their own?

Drumming dogs? twins for Mary! , and arguments about how ...... scatter cushions?

"They were not around in the olden days so you can't put them in there Jesus was born in a shed! "

The singing has been inspiring and with a range of musical instruments it has been clear how their weekly music lessons have encouraged such wonderful progress with their beat and rhythm.

No wonder the performance went so well! We hope you enjoyed it. We were so proud.

