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Dear Foundation Parents/Carers

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Weekly Newsletter

We have had a brilliant week in Julia Donaldson class. The children have been getting stuck into our topic, Traditional tales. We have continued to explore the story of 'The Gingerbread Man' and 'Rama and Sita' which has influenced our number time learning and Diwali topic.

In the outside area this week the children have been designing and making assault courses. We have been experimenting with balance and building our risk taking confidence by jumping off the blocks. These experiences have helped us learn how to be persistent and give new things a try.

In number time, we have furthered our knowledge around number recognition and number vocabulary such as 'altogether', and 'one more'. We have shared a very exciting tea party with our toys and learnt how to count objects as well as adding 'one more'. We were able to represent this in several ways such as, using our fingers and forming our numbers. The children have also been on a Treasure Hunt for their numbers around the room, so their Gingerbread Men got to their home safely without waking up the sly fox from the story.

In phonics we have continued to do a total recap of the sounds and focus on our oral and written segmenting and blending. Additionally we have introduced new sounds and have begun to use these in choosing time! We enjoy seeing children use their fred fingers to form words, we have even managed to write letters to other teachers!

The children have been re-enacting our traditional tale of Rama and Sita. We have celebrated the 'Festival of Diwali' this week by making garlic naan and a vegetable curry with Mrs.Goddard. We sang our new song 'I'm a little Diva Lamp' before tucking into our goods!

Thank you for supporting your children with their High Frequency words and for coming to view the children's learning journeys yesterday after school. We hope you enjoy them as much as we do!

Dates for the diary:

- 20th November - Tempest Photography in for class photos
- 23rd November - Provisional date for the school disco
- 3rd and 4th December - Foundation Nativity - please come and watch!
- 13th December - Christmas Jumper Day
- 17th December - Class trip to Pennywell Farm
- 21st December - Last day of term

We hope you all have a lovely weekend. Yours sincerely, Miss McEvansoneya and Miss Emmett

