

# Foundation weekly newsletter

## 24/11/17

We have had a really busy and fun filled week exploring the traditional tale of 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears' and have even explored Grandmother's house and made porridge.

Following Miss Palarm's visit to a partnership school in Falmouth, the children have been buddied up with a child in Foundation there and have drawn pictures ready to go in the post. Children can then send pictures and letters to their pen pals frequently, giving a purpose to mark making and writing.

We have been challenging the children in number time to explore weight and capacity, they have been doing so well with this and they have thrived on new challenges and are always looking for ways to extend their knowledge and understanding.

In music we have been looking at the Christmas Nativity songs which the children have loved, and we have some actions they cannot wait to share with you at home.

In phonics this week we have been reviewing the sounds n, p, l and i. The children are thriving in their new phonic groups. In literacy, the children have been exploring the Christmas Story and the true meaning of Christmas, they are fascinated and have been asking 'I Wonder' questions, that we hope to answer in the weeks ahead.

Thank you for all your support with the Christmas Nativity costumes and practice, we really appreciate it. We hope you have a restful weekend - see you on Monday, God bless.

### **Ways you can help your child at home:**

- Please read to, and with your child every night.
- Support your child with their individual targets (which you were given at Parent Evening)
- Support your child to learn their lines and the song for the Nativity

### **Announcements:**

- Please do email us if you have any questions or queries and we will get back to you as soon as we can [hshaw@holycross.plymouth.sch.uk](mailto:hshaw@holycross.plymouth.sch.uk)
- We have sent home the Nativity scripts and supplied lists of costumes/items of clothing your children will require
  - Please can you bring in your child's Nativity outfit as soon as possible to ensure the children are well rehearsed for the performance, we appreciate that this may require resourcing some things yourselves, but please see us if there are any problems at all

- Please see us if you require any more tickets, we have plenty for you and your family
- December the 1st, please come to school dressed as a character from a Julia Donaldson story book to celebrate our class author day

We hope you have a wonderful weekend, From the Foundation team