# Reception Home Learning – Week beginning 11th December 2023

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This week we have been practising for our Christmas Performance and sharing Christmas-themed stories with the children. The children have also been busy making a variety of festive crafts. The holidays are coming!

In maths, we played lots of counting games to help consolidate numbers 1 to 10. We also practised writing the numbers using the number chants to help us remember the correct formation. (These number chants are available on the Reception web page.)

We recapped our key words learnt to date — the children are doing so well with recognising these words by sight. We are working on writing them, knowing which letters are needed.

### Parents' Information:

Wednesday 20th December – Reception Christmas Performance at 9:30am in the Witham Hall

\*Please send your child in to school on this day wearing a festive jumper\*

## Wednesday 20th December - Class Party

To celebrate the end of year and festivities, we will have a party for the Reception children within the EYFS building. Could you kindly make a 'party plate' for your child and send it into school, well wrapped, as we will celebrate in the afternoon. A paper plate that can be recycled would greatly help the organisation and each child only needs a few snacks to nibble during the party, e.g. grapes, carrot sticks, chocolate fingers, crisps or popcorn — some of your child's favourite treats.

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**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December** – End of term and <u>1:30pm finish.</u> After school club will finish at 6pm, as usual.

Monday 8th January - INSET

Tuesday 9th January — Children return to school

#### Sharing a Story

Sharing a story daily enhances your child's learning immensely. We ask that when you are reading a story, maybe before bedtime, that you ask questions about the text, e.g. How is the character feeling?; Can you think of a different ending to the story?; Are there any clues in the pictures?; etc. This helps children to understand the story and it develops comprehension and language skills.

## Something to do

#### Number formation

We have uploaded a number formation sheet. Encourage your child to follow the arrows to form the number, saying the chant at the same time. They could also have a go at writing the numbers independently.