

## Weekly Learning Letter

Early Years - 23.11.20

This week in Early	We are busy practising our Christmas play — the children are working hard to learn songs and
Years	dance routines and we are looking forward to performing our play 'for the camera' at the
	beginning of December.
	We have also been exploring light and dark; using stories to identify light sources and
	investigating which materials would make good curtains for Baby Bear ( not let light through!)
Reminder	Please can Christmas costumes be brought into school on Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December (not before
	please).
	Please continue to support your child with learning their words for our Christmas play.
	Date for the diary: We will be landing our topic on Monday 14th December by having a pyjama
	party. On this day please can your child wear pyjamas to school (layers underneath might be
	needed to help keep them warm) .
Maths	In Maths this week we have been focussing on the number 8 . The children have looked at
	different representations of 8 and enjoyed creating their own
	Octonaut — everything about the Octonaut had to link to eight. They have also used number
	tracks to practise counting the correct number of jumps when counting on. The children were
	shown how to 'count on' so instead of counting from 4 to 6 and saying 'one, two' as they made
	two jumps, they were encouraged to say, '5,6' as they made their jumps.
English	This week in English, we have been continuing to discuss owl facts and have created an Owl
	information booklet as a class.
	To support our learning, we have created a menu for the Owl Babies of worm pizza and rat ice
	cream! Delicious!!
	We have been learning our oral version of Owl babies with actions and have discussed our likes,
	dislikes, puzzles and patterns. At the end of the week, we innovated our story to Bat Babies.
Phonics	We have started phase 3 this week and have parctised blending and segmenting with phonemes j, v, w,
	x.
	We have been consildated reading tricky words: to, the, no, go, I, into.
The week's sounds:	New phonemes: j, v, w, x

## To support your child's learning at home this week you could...

- If you have words to learn for our Christmas play please spend time learning them and saying them in a loud, slow voice. (they are in the back of your reading diary)
- Play a track game with the family e.g. snakes and ladders or use the number track we used in school which is uploaded on the school website with the learning letter. Try to 'count on' just like we practiced in school.
- If you have a torch at home, turn off all the lights and make patterns on the ceiling with the torch light.
- Maybe go on a night time walk with your family, using torches to light up the way. What do you see and hear?
- Go on bug club and read an e book-Misss Munro and Mrs Dolby will be taking a look to see which books you've read. Remembr your log in details are in the front of your reading diary.