



# Weekly Learning Letter

Early Years – 7.12.20

<p><b>This week in Early Years...</b></p>	<p>We have recorded our Christmas play – we are sure you are going to love it ! The children all looked fabulous in their costumes and enjoyed performing the songs and dances. Thank you for all your support with providing costumes, it is really appreciated.</p> <p>Having read <i>Peace at Last</i> by Jill Murphy, we thought about night time sounds. In the story Mr Bear can't sleep because of all the noises he hears. We composed some lullabies (which we have been learning about with Mrs Cass in music) to help him sleep.</p>
<p><b>Reminder</b></p>	<p><b>Date for the diary:</b> We will be landing our topic on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> 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).</p> <p>We will be collecting all reading books and diaries in on <b>Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December</b>.</p> <p>Please ensure you have made a note of your child's Active Learn username and password so you can access their account over the Christmas period.</p>
<p><b>Maths</b></p>	<p>In Maths this week we have been focussing on the number 10 and learnt that 10 one penny coins are worth the same as one ten pence coin. We have also enjoyed singing and acting out the song 'Ten green Bottles,' which has supported out learning in finding one less than a number.</p>
<p><b>English</b></p>	<p>Following on from last week's learning we have delved deeper into Christmas traditions. On Tuesday we received a special note. We discovered that Santa's elves were busy in the workshop and needed our help. Father Christmas asked us to write a list of items that we would like for Christmas. The children independently wrote their lists using their segmenting skills.</p>
<p><b>Phonics</b></p>	<p>This week in phonics we have continued with learning 4 more phase 3 sounds: ch, sh, th, ng. The children recognised that these are 2 letters that make 1 sound.</p> <p><b>Words to support our learning this week:</b> check, rich, chicken, shock, shell, hush, moth, them, with, hang, sing, wing.</p> <p>We have also learnt the tricky word: she</p>
<p><b>The week's sounds:</b></p>	<p>New phonemes: ch, sh, th, ng.</p> <p>Tricky words: she</p>

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

- Sing some of the Christmas songs we have learnt at school to your family.
- Put on some Christmas music and dance!
- Join in with the song Ten Green Bottles. Maybe you could draw/ make ten bottles to help you act out the song like we did at school  
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/nursery-rhymes-ten-green-bottles/zncyt39>
- This is a busy time of year – help your family with any household jobs they need doing.