

6th December 2021

Dear Parents,

This week we will be exploring forms of transport that were used in the past, looking at first cars and aeroplanes and how animals were used as transport. Alongside practising for the nativity, we will ask the question why Mary and Joseph, to get to Bethlehem used a donkey not a car? Please discuss the past with your child and how things were different to how they are today. We will also introduce the story of The Stick Man in preparation for our trip to the theatre next week.

In maths this week, the children will build on their understanding of the composition of numbers by investigating the composition of 3, 4 and 5. Composing and de-composing numbers involves the children investigating part-part-whole relations, e.g. seeing that 3 can be composed of 1 and 2.

In phonics we are learning the phonemes h,b,f ff and l,ll and learning to read the HRS words as, his, pull. We are also doing lots of work on the Harder to Read and Spell words that we have already learned (no, go, the, to, and, I) to help the children to remember these.

The children are doing really well getting ready for the nativity, they are singing the songs beautifully. Next Monday, they will be going to the nursery to watch the dress rehearsal for their nativity. We look forward to seeing you all for our own nativity on the 15th December.

Best wishes

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