

22nd December 2022

Excalibur Primary School

Term: Autumn 2 Week: Eight

Reception Class Newsletter

Well we've made it, phew! It's been a long half term! Your little superstars are ready for a break, and we just might be too! Thank you so much for your kind cards, gifts and best wishes, it is very much appreciated by the team. We have had a wonderful first term and we have loved getting to know you and your children. We are so proud of each and every one of them and the progress they have made.



Our story of the week this week has been 'We're Going on an Elf Chase'. We have continued to read lots of Christmas themed stories this week and the children have been busy undertaking Christmas themed activities in provision and finalised their cards ready to bring home. This week we were joined by Florence's Dad who kindly came in on Tuesday to talk about his role as a chef and to make some holly leaves and berries from icing. Monday was our party day. We were really proud of the way the children behaved and their enthusiasm.



Once again RWI has taken place all week. Please keep going with reading and keyring words over the break if you can. After Christmas some of the children who have been bringing home ditty sheets are ready to move onto our red reading books and some children will be ready to move onto our ditty sheets. (More about this will be explained in the New Year). The RWI programme aims for children to know their set one sounds (a-z) by Christmas and that children can orally blend. This means if you fred talk a word like red, r-e-d, the children will know that you are saying red. If your child is not quite doing this yet, please don't worry. They are working hard and will do it when they are ready.

Rhythm Time

Thanks for Gemma from Rhythm time who was kind enough to come in on Monday and give us a special Christmas themed class. Hopefully she will be back to visit us again in the new year.

Mystery Readers

Thank you to Jayden's Mum and Merrida's Dad who kindly volunteered to be our mystery readers this week.

Dates ahead:

22nd December – last day

9th January – return to school

Have a wonderful Christmas, Mrs Rogers,
Miss Morrey, Mrs Thompson and Mrs
Bebbington

