

Dear Ladybirds and Bumblebees,

Next week is going to be the last school week of 2022. We would love to add more to the 'Wow wall' in each classroom. What have you done this year that you are proud of? It could be learning to read, or riding a bike, or even a piece of artwork. You can draw your achievements on paper. We cannot wait to see them!

Love Buzz and Lola



Week beginning 5<sup>th</sup> December 2022

Dear Parents,

This week has been another Christmassy one! We have been watching lots of other year groups doing their dress rehearsals, and have even had our dress rehearsal too, which went so well. We were so impressed with the children and how confident they all were on stage. They are certainly ready to wow you! The children have also continued to enjoy seeing where Elfie has wound up, and love opening and reading the books too!

Children have been continuing to write their instructions for making Christmas decorations. They have been thinking about how important the order of their writing is and they have thought about what information is important in their instructions. In maths, children have begun to look at how to break a number into parts. We have used Numberblocks to help understand this, and children have been fantastic at thinking how we can split a "whole" into two "parts".

Thank you for continuing to read with your child and for helping them to learn their sounds. This week we learnt air, ure, er, ue. Please also continue to practice the rainbow words we sent home last week.

This week, we had our first experiences of eating lunch in the big hall! The children coped brilliantly with all of the new routines and thoroughly enjoyed choosing from the salad and desert bar. We will have lunch in the hall a couple of times next week and after the Christmas break we will eat in there every day.

As we have had quite a bit of cold weather, could we please ask that your child practices zipping up their coat independently. If you are sending in hats and gloves, can we also ask that these are named.

Next we will be doing some Christmas baking in the newly installed kitchens in the small hall. We will be making some simple biscuits containing the following ingredients.

- Dairy free margarine
- GF plain flour
- Caster sugar
- Icing sugar

### Christmas Performances

On the 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> of December, you and your family are invited to come and watch either or both of the performances. There are no limits on numbers and no tickets are needed, we just look forward to seeing you there!

Please note that for the performance on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 5.30pm, children will need to return to school **just before 5pm**, so that we can get them changed into their costumes. After the performance, they will change back into the clothes they arrived in before we dismiss them. Please consider that the footwear your child comes back to school in will be what they wear for the performance. If you want to add different footwear to their costume bag, please feel free.

### Dates for diary:

- **Whole school book share** – Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December
- **Santa Fun Run** – Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December
- **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December** – Last day of Term 2
- **Staff Development Day** – Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January (No children in school)
- **First day of Term 3** – Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January

Thank you for your continued support,  
The Foundation Team