

# Heyhouses Reception Newsletter Autumn Term 2 Week 3



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### **This Week**

We explored The Nativity story with the children, ensuring that they know that Christmas is important to Christians as it is the celebration of Jesus' birth. The children drew pictures of Mary and the Angel Gabriel and copied a sentence about it. We encouraged the children to hold their pencil using a tripod grip and to form letters correctly. We also talked to the class about their feelings and experiences of celebrating Christmas with their families. Perhaps you could look back at photos from previous Christmas times you have shared and see what memories they spark!

## **Phonics**

#### This week's sounds are:



y - yacht - under the hull and down to the anchor

z - zigzag - zig and zag

zz - two zigzags - a zigzag duet

qu- quill - around the feather and down the pen

ch - chew the chunky chips

#### **Maths**

#### **Focus: Composition**

This week's activities focus on the concept of 'wholes' and 'parts', understanding that whole things are made up of smaller parts and that a whole is, therefore, bigger than its parts.

Make fruit kebabs, encouraging your child to identify the different parts that will make up the kebab.

Complete simple jigsaws together. Have we got all the parts we need to complete the whole puzzle?

#### Remember

Next week, we will prepare for the birthday of a special Teddy as part of our 'Celebrations' topic. Please send in photos from your child's last Birthday party or family celebration via The Evidence Me App for us to show to the class. We also need any spare Birthday wrapping paper, cards, tags, or ribbons that you have so that we can use these for Birthday themed activities.

#### Date for your diary

29/11/24 – PTA Non Uniform Day in return for a raffle prize. This can be one of the following: Chocolates, biscuits, bottles, toiletries or unopened gift sets.









