Christmas Cards

I have had a few requests from parents for a class list for children to write Christmas cards. Can I ask for a favour – as it takes us such a long time to put cards into the correct bags.

Please can you get your child to sign inside each card ‘Love from\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_’ inside and then leave the envelopes blank. That way we can put one in each child’s bag…just be sure to put your child’s name on the bag or box which they are sent into school in so that they don’t receive a card from themselves! There are 30 children in the class.

Thank you ☺

‘Shine Star Shine’

This week we have continued to practise songs for our Christmas Nativity. Yesterdayyou should have receive a letter detailing what you will need to get for a costume. If you have any problems,let us know as we do have a few old costumes which we may be able to recycle. We are really looking forward to sharing our performance with you.

Friday 30th November

This week we have enjoyed sharing ‘The Gruffalo’s Child’ with the children developing some excellent descriptions of the ‘Big,Bad Mouse’ We also took the opportunity to explore light and shadows having lots of fun with Mr Drinkwater making shadows on the carpet using torches. In our maths work this week we have been investigating pairs of numbers whch total 5 and also which total 10. We have been very lucky to have a delivery of some new toys this week too, we have had lots fun playing with our new construction ‘Big City’ blocks, writing on our amazing light up boards, building words with magnetic letter tiles and even chatting to one another across the classroom with our special mobile phones! We are trying really hard to take extra special care of our new things ☺

 Thank you From The Reception Class Team

This week we have enjoyed…

\*The pantomime ‘Cinderella’

\*Retelling the story of ‘The Gruffalo’s Child’ in the snowy tray

\*Writing on our new light up boards

\* Making shadows with the torches

This week we have been learning…

* To use exciting words to describe the Big Bad Mouse
* To find pairs of umbers to total 5 and 10
* To sing songs for our Nativity play
* About how we make preparations at Christmas like we are preparing for a birthday party as we celebrate Jesus’ birthday

Reading Books

Your child will have brought home another reading book tonight. These first books have no words but you can use the sheet provided to ask questions and follow the story together. Please keep this sheet in with your child’s book in their bag. They will also have a key ring of ‘tricky words’ we would like the children to read independently. Please try to practise these daily with your child – let us know when they are able to read all the words and we will add the next set.

We are now starting to send home 2 books with some children each week. One book with words and one without. All children will move onto books with words when their confidence with their keyring words increases.

Please ensure you write in your child’s diary to let us know when they have read their books and how they have been getting on with them.

Keep in touch

\*Follow us on twitter @stgregorys\_EYFS

\*You can also contact me directly by email if you have any concerns or questions:

[eyfs@st-gregorys-pri.lancs.sch.uk](NULL)

\*Send observations of your child’s learning at home by replying to the 2Simple report you have already received.

\* You can also use ClassDojo to send quick messages.

**Homework**

The children will have until **Thursday 20th December** to complete as many of the challenges as possible. Thank you for support in completing the challenges so far, your contributions are really valuable to us.

Snack

In order to be able to provide a daily snack, we ask for a donation of £1 per week, per child.

Thank you for your contributions.