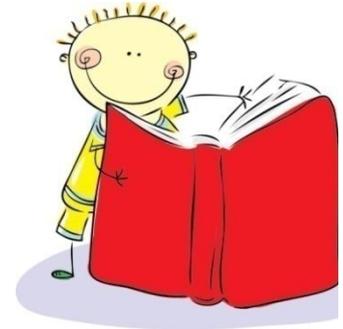




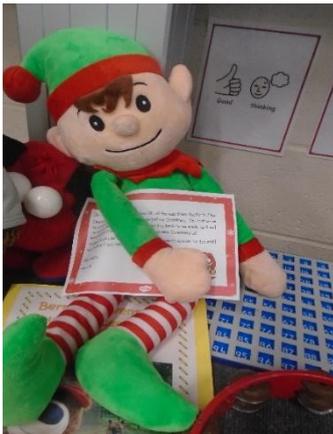
Reception Newsletter

Friday 7th December 2018

In phonics this week the children have revised sounds they have already learnt and we focused on recognising and reading the following graphemes: - **ee (show me your teeth), ai (snail in the rain) and igh (switch off the light it's night)**. The children have been practising reading words with these new graphemes in and spelling them. We have particularly focused on children building up their blending skills by playing lots of different games. This week we have also focused on reading the Tricky Words and High Frequency Words. The children are beginning to recognise some on sight now which is great!



In our maths sessions this week the children have been continuing to learn the names of common 3D shapes and seeing if they can find these shapes in the environment. We have been working on matching sets of objects to numerals and we have been doing lots of counting!



The children were very excited when they came in on Monday morning to find Twinkles the elf in the classroom. Santa sent him to keep an eye on the children and he is going to be reporting back to Santa. The children have been finding out that he likes to get up to mischief! He ate the children's chocolate and wrapped Bertie and some other toys up in toilet roll and they couldn't escape. Luckily, the children were able to free the toys! They are excited to see what he gets up to next!

The children are very excited to take part in their first Nativity performance at Leybourne and they cannot wait for you to come and see them on stage. Thank you for supplying the children with the correct outfits so they can become Kings and camels!

Thank you for the offers of help to look after the chickens during the Christmas Holidays. We have some dates still available if anyone else would like to look after the chickens. The dates free are from **Monday 31st December – Sunday 6th January**. I would like to invite parents into school on **Thursday 13th December** at the end of the day to exchange contact details and show you how to look after them. Thanks so much, your support with this is very much appreciated! ☺

KS1 are having their Christmas Party on **Monday 17th December** in the afternoon. I will be sending out a separate letter regarding this.

Please could the children bring in a named carrier bag by **Friday 14th December** as we will have a lot of Christmas things to bring home? Many thanks!

Have a lovely weekend!
Miss Dale