



Friday 8th December 2017

**This week** we have been working on our counting and number formation skills. We have completed some addition number sentences and worked out the answer by 'counting all'. We have been working on some group Christmas stories and have thought up some super ideas. We have made calendars, baubles for our tree and continued to perfect the Christmas play for you to come and watch next week.

**Letters and Sounds** This week we have been learning to recognise and write the digraphs ai, ee and oa. A good way of going over these sounds with your children would be to spot them within words and highlight them together. Magazines and newspapers are handy for this.

**Next week** We are looking forward to performing the Christmas play for you. Please remember to bring your children back into school at **4.45pm** on Tuesday for the evening performance. When we are not performing we will be writing and drawing about The Nativity Story, making Christmas tree decorations and creating our own Christmas word searches.

**Drinks bottles** for the children to use throughout the school day should only be filled with water. Please refrain from filling them with juice. Thank you.

**Lockra** will be visiting Leparua School in Kenya over the Christmas holidays. He will be going to Leparua School with his family on Christmas Eve and is keen to take some much needed items with him. The children there need school clothes, shoes and small toys or colouring pencils. If you would like to donate any of these items then please drop them in to Class R or give them straight to Lockra and his family. Many thanks.

**Weekly challenge** Write Christmas cards to your friends ready to post in the school postbox. This will give you great practise in writing your name.

With best wishes,

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