



HARTFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL
EARLY YEARS NEWSLETTER
Friday 04th December 2020

It's December!

It's beginning to feel a lot like Christmas! We've had a wonderful and very exciting week! Our cheeky elf keeps getting up to mischief in the classroom and we are sure he is to blame for a few items that keep going missing.



We've begun our advent calendar, who doesn't like to start their day with a little bit of chocolate? As part of our 'People, Culture and Communities' we have begun to talk about why some people celebrate Christmas and we have shared a book about the Christmas story.

Thank you for all the sticks, which were sent in last week. We've had great fun making our stick owls, they really do look fabulous!

Our learning this week

In English this week, we have been continuing to learn about nocturnal animals and have found out all about what some animals eat. We have been applying the phonics we have learned so far to help us write lists about our chosen animals. We have continued our phonics work this week with the digraphs **ch**, **sh** and **ng**. We have recapped the tricky words **go**, **no**, **l**, **to**, **the**, **into**, **we**, **me** and **be**, and used **the** in our sentence writing. We have revisited our sounds **s**, **a**, **t**, **p**, **i**, **n**, **c**, **d**, **m**, **o**, **g**, **k**, **e**, **u**, **r**, **g**, **ck**, **h**, **b**, **f**, **ff**, **ss**, **l**, **ll**, **j**, **v**, **w**, **x**, **y**, **z**, **zz** and **qu** and are listening for these sounds in words.

In our maths lessons, we have been using five frames to help us subitise and have been finding out one more and one less than a given number. We looked at how we don't always have to re-count objects as we can start at the amount we already know we have. We looked at what happens when we put two five frames together. We then used our 10 frames with a partner to work out the answers to different calculations. We have focused on number formation to enable us to record the total number in a set.

In P.E this week, we played team games, passing balls in different ways. We used different parts of our bodies and tried our best to be as quick and accurate as possible.

In Spanish, Mrs Gatiss was very impressed with us. We remembered many of our colours and practised answering questions. We're getting really good!

Christmas Hampers

It was lovely to see everyone looking so festive today! We have a lovely selection of items for our hampers. Further details will follow shortly explaining how you can purchase tickets to win a wonderful hamper!



Homework

This week, could you make a Christmas decoration for us to add some more festive cheer to our classrooms?



Lunches

Next Monday 7th December will be the turn of our Early Years children to have a Christmas lunch, should they wish to, a packed lunch alternative would also be available.

Please remember to send in a named water bottle each day as the children use these at lunchtime as well as during the day.

Contacting us

Unfortunately, we are not able to invite you in to school under the current Covid restrictions but you can email us at earlyyears@hartfordprimary.cheshire.sch.uk if you have any issues or queries and we will get back to you as soon as possible. Alternatively, you can contact the office at admin@hartfordprimary.cheshire.sch.uk

Have a fabulous festive weekend!

Mrs Richardson Mrs Gillett Mrs Baynes Mrs Eccles

