

# YEAR ONE Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers,

The children did so well in all of their Nativities this week! We are all so proud of them, especially with various illnesses going on. They did amazingly well! Thank you for all of your support and with the costumes too 😊

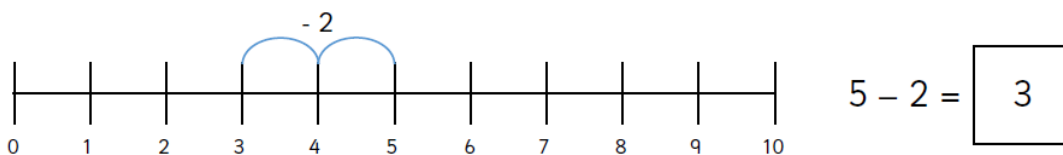


Our KS1 Nativities have taken up lots of our time this week, as well as having the treat of watching the KS2 Nativity and Family Trust pantomime. We've also been busy making Christmas decorations and Calendars, so it's been lots of fun this week!

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December** – Just a reminder that next Monday is our class Christmas party, so the children can come to school wearing their own clothes and bring in their food/drink/item for the party on Monday too. Many thanks!

## Maths

For Maths, we have been using a number line to help us solve subtraction number sentences by counting back by jumping back in ones (see example below). This can be a tricky concept to get the hang of, but after a bit of practise, Year 1 did really well using the number lines!



We have also been consolidating what we know about addition and subtraction by playing games which involve solving a mix of addition and subtraction number sentences, so we have to remember what each symbol represents and the different ways that we can find the answers.





### Religious Education

In RE this week, we have been thinking about giving and receiving gifts. We asked the children 'What is the most special gift that you have received?' and lots of children answered with some really thoughtful answers, such as: 'My little brother being born', 'Spending time with my family' or 'Being able to do a club that I really enjoy'. We then spoke about what gifts we would give baby Jesus today and why they might be special gifts for a baby to receive. The children thought of some equally heartfelt answers, such as: 'love', 'a lovely family' and 'I would build him a cosy, safe home'.

### English

In English, we completed reading our story of 'Pumpkin Soup'. We retold the story in our own words and sequenced pictures from the story in the correct order. Then we made our own story maps, drawing pictures and writing simple sentences to retell the story.

### Spellings

The children are very tired and as we are coming towards the end of the term, there will be **no spelling test** next week. However, I have included some optional spellings in the newsletter, if your child would like to practise at home this week for fun!

We hope you all have a lovely weekend,  
Mrs Mockler, Mrs Robinson, Mrs Millar and Miss Hall

Optional Spellings
new
few
grew
blue
clue
true

Optional spellings	
rescue	value
flew	stew

