Hello Everyone,

It has been a fabulous week, with some amazing writing being done by everyone. I can really see the improvement in the general thought processes of all the children and their willingness to have a go at anything they are asked.

This week we have been learning about the Hindu and Sikh festival of Diwali. It is lovely to see the children eager and willing to learn about new things and to hear of their own experiences and learning from home. We have written a diary account as either Rama, Sita or Ravana from the Diwali story and we have written about the things we learned about why, when and how people celebrate Diwali. The children have created some beautiful rangoli patterns in their art work and even used their art skills to finish off rangoli symmetry patterns in their maths.



In our phonics we have looked at the 'wh' starting sound and the -ill and -all endings of words. There will be no more spellings for the rest of this term as the children will be busy learning their parts for the Christmas play and generally, this is a busy time of year for many families, and 1 less pressure will hopefully help in the run up to Christmas for you. I will attach some sheets to the class page that focus on the handwriting of the 100 most common words, just in case you need something as a distraction for them whilst wrapping presents!



In maths we looked at different 2d shapes and drew their vertical and horizontal lines of symmetry, if they had them. We also looked to rounding numbers to the nearest 10 and for some children to the nearest 100. We used the rhyme:

We did not have 'Move It Monday' as we needed to use the hall to start staging our play, but we have enjoyed our morning dance all week and have moved around to this when we could. (Dovydas -Wednesday Dance – Lady Gaga) By all means have a dance off at home! It is great fun and the children are amazing to watch as they learn the routine and gain in confidence and skill.



This week was our last Kerbcraft session, and I can not say a big enough thankyou to Nicola and our parent and staff helpers who have made this training possible. The children will all be receiving their certificates in school next week and can be very proud of themselves.

We also learned about the effects of human pollution of the oceans of the world. We learned how our rubbish affects wild life and we are going to look at how we can make small changes of our own, that will help the environment.

Finally on Friday we started to create some 3d lighthouse plate pictures that we will finish off next week and we are going to put them up in class to brighten up our art area. They look fab!

I have added to the bottom of the sheet, and as an attachment to our class page, a list of the costumes for our Christmas play. I will also be sending out a paper copy to each of you on Monday just in case people do not see this.

It's been another wonderful week. Have a lovely weekend everyone. 5 weeks until Christmas Eve!!!!!!

Mrs Howard & Mrs Bowen.



Christmas Costume List

<u>Layla</u>

Dear Parents / Carers,

It's nearly that time of year again!!! We are writing to ask for costumes ready for our Christmas play. Could we please ask for costumes to come into school in a clearly named bag by Monday 4th December. We appreciate that it is a very busy and expensive time of year, so many people would prefer a simple costume choice, so we have provided a simple suggestion below. If you would prefer to buy a shop bought costume, however, we will leave the decision up to each individual family. Either will be perfect and greatly appreciated.

Your child is Cow 1

The costume they need is either:

Black bottoms and white t-shirt with a school made cow mask

O٣

Traditional cow costume. (black and white)

Many thanks,

Foundation Phase Staff.

<u>Annie</u>

It's nearly that time of year again!!! We are writing to ask for costumes ready for our Christmas play. Could we please ask for costumes to come into school in a clearly named bag by Monday 4th December. We appreciate that it is a very busy and expensive time of year, so many people would prefer a simple costume choice, so we have provided a simple suggestion below. If you would prefer to buy a shop bought costume, however, we will leave the decision up to each individual family. Either will be perfect and greatly appreciated.

Your child is Cow 2

The costume they need is either:

Black bottoms and white t-shirt with a school made cow mask

O٣

Traditional cow costume. (black and white)

Many thanks,

<u>Elsie</u>

Dear Parents / Carers,

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Your child is Donkey 1

The costume they need is either:

Grey bottoms and grey t-shirt with a school made donkey mask

O٣

Traditional Nativity donkey costume.

Many thanks,

Foundation Phase Staff.

Mimi

Dear Parents / Carers,

It's nearly that time of year again!!! We are writing to ask for costumes ready for our Christmas play. Could we please ask for costumes to come into school in a clearly named bag by Monday 4th December. We appreciate that it is a very busy and expensive time of year, so many people would prefer a simple costume choice, so we have provided a simple suggestion below. If you would prefer to buy a shop bought costume, however, we will leave the decision up to each individual family. Either will be perfect and greatly appreciated.

Your child is Donkey 2

The costume they need is either:

Grey bottoms and grey t-shirt with a school made donkey mask

O۳

Traditional Nativity donkey costume.

Many thanks,

Dear Parents / Carers,

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Your child is Court Clerk

The costume they need is:

Black bottoms and white shirt with a black tie.

Many thanks,

Foundation Phase Staff.

Ellie

Dear Parents / Carers,

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Your child is Judge Grumps

The costume they need is either:

Black dress and tights with white tied bow around neck

O٣

Traditional Judge costume.

Many thanks,

Emily

Dear Parents / Carers,

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Your child is Miss Correct

The costume they need is:

Black skirt and white shirt

Many thanks,

Foundation Phase Staff.

<u>Alex</u>

Dear Parents / Carers,

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Your child is Mr. Proper

The costume they need is:

Black trousers and white shirt

Many thanks,

Nye

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Your child is a Policeman

The costume they need is:

Black trousers and white shirt (school police jacket and helmet)

O٣

Traditional Policeman costume

Many thanks,

Foundation Phase Staff.

<u>Zac</u>

Dear Parents / Carers,

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Your child is the Narrator

The costume they need is:

Black bottoms and Christmas jumper/shirt

Many thanks,

<u>Diana</u>

Dear Parents / Carers,

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Your child is Citizen 1

The costume they need is:

Pretty floral dress and shawl

O٣

Traditional girl's Nativity costume

Many thanks,

Foundation Phase Staff.

<u>Asiyah</u>

Dear Parents / Carers,

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Your child is Citizen 2

The costume they need is:

Pretty floral dress and shawl

O٣

Traditional girl's Nativity costume

Many thanks,

William

Dear Parents / Carers,

It's nearly that time of year again!!! We are writing to ask for costumes ready for our Christmas play. Could we please ask for costumes to come into school in a clearly named bag by Monday 4th December. We appreciate that it is a very busy and expensive time of year, so many people would prefer a simple costume choice, so we have provided a simple suggestion below. If you would prefer to buy a shop bought costume, however, we will leave the decision up to each individual family. Either will be perfect and greatly appreciated.

Your child is Roman Soldier 1

The costume they need is:

Black trouser/leggings, red t-shirt and toy sword (school made breast plate and helmet)

O٣

Traditional Roman soldier costume

Many thanks,

Foundation Phase Staff.

<u>Keanu</u>

Dear Parents / Carers,

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Your child is Roman Soldier 2

The costume they need is:

Black trouser/leggings, red t-shirt and toy sword (school made breast plate and helmet)

O٣

Traditional Roman soldier costume

Many thanks,

Adeola

Dear Parents / Carers,

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Your child is Mrs Innkeeper

The costume they need is:

Black or red skirt or dress with white t-shirt and white apron.

O٣

Traditional Wife Innkeeper costume

Many thanks,

Foundation Phase Staff.

Ezra

Dear Parents / Carers,

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Your child is Stanley (Innkeeper's husband)

The costume they need is:

Black/dark trousers, beige/brown oversized t-shirt tied at waist with sash and t-towel with band head covering

O٣

Traditional Nativity Innkeeper costume

Many thanks,

<u>Hugo</u>

Dear Parents / Carers,

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Your child is Innkeeper 1

The costume they need is:

Black/dark trousers, beige/brown oversized t-shirt tied at waist with sash and t-towel with band head covering

O٣

Traditional Nativity Innkeeper costume

Many thanks,

Foundation Phase Staff.

Luca

Dear Parents / Carers,

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Your child is Innkeeper 2

The costume they need is:

Black/dark trousers, beige/brown oversized t-shirt tied at waist with sash and t-towel with band head covering

O٣

Traditional Nativity Innkeeper costume

Many thanks,

<u>Myles</u>

Dear Parents / Carers,

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Your child is Joseph

The costume they need is:

Brown/beige bottoms, orange/beige/brown oversized t-shirt tied at waist with sash and t-towel with band head covering

O٣

Traditional Joseph costume

Many thanks,

Foundation Phase Staff.

Ενα

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Your child is Mary

The costume they need is:

Long white dress or oversized t-shirt with blue shawl that covers head and shoulders. (or vice versa with the colours if easier)

O۳

Traditional Mary costume

Many thanks,

<u>Teddy</u>

Dear Parents / Carers,

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Your child is Quizmaster

The costume they need is:

Black/dark bottoms and sparkly/brightly coloured shirt (Go complete bling!)

Many thanks,

Foundation Phase Staff.

<u>Sophia</u>

Dear Parents / Carers,

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Your child is Balthasar

The costume they need is:

Black/dark bottoms, bright pink oversized t-shirt tied with sash at waist and gold crown

O٣

Traditional Nativity Wiseman costume (Pink or purple colour scheme)

Many thanks,

Ally

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Your child is Melchior

The costume they need is:

Black/dark bottoms, bright green oversized t-shirt tied with sash at waist and gold crown

O٣

Traditional Nativity Wiseman costume (Green colour scheme)

Many thanks,

Foundation Phase Staff.

<u>Ace</u>

Dear Parents / Carers,

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Your child is Caspar

The costume they need is:

Black/dark bottoms, bright blue oversized t-shirt tied with sash at waist and gold crown

O٣

Traditional Nativity Wiseman costume (blue colour scheme)

Many thanks,

Eden

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Your child is Shepherd 1

The costume they need is:

Black/dark bottoms, blue t-shirt, dressing gown and t-towel head covering with band

O٣

Traditional Nativity shepherd costume

Many thanks,

Foundation Phase Staff.

<u>Amelia</u>

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Your child is Shepherd 2

The costume they need is:

Black/dark bottoms, blue t-shirt, dressing gown and t-towel head covering with band

O٣

Traditional Nativity shepherd costume

Many thanks,

<u>Dylan</u>

Dear Parents / Carers,

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Your child is Sheep 1

The costume they need is:

White oversized t-shirt and white socks (school-made sheep mask)

O٣

Traditional Nativity sheep costume

Many thanks,

Foundation Phase Staff.

<u>Alice</u>

Dear Parents / Carers,

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Your child is Sheep 2

The costume they need is:

White oversized t-shirt and white socks (school-made sheep mask)

O۳

Traditional Nativity sheep costume

Many thanks,

<u>Kobi</u>

Dear Parents / Carers,

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Your child is Angel Gabriel

The costume they need is:

White oversized t-shirt, white long socks or leggings, gold tinsel sash around waist and gold tinsel on head as halo.

O٣

Traditional Nativity Angel Gabriel costume

Many thanks,