



Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we will be fully embracing winter by sharing the story 'The Snow Thief'. This will help inspire lots of our learning as we find out about the signs of winter.

**Phonics** - This week we will be learning the digraphs wh, ph, ew, oe. We will be reading and writing words using the single sounds and digraphs the children know.

**Literacy** - In Literacy this week we will continue to focus on the story 'The Snow Thief'. We will discuss some of the vocabulary found in the book. We will also be writing labels for presents.

**Maths** - We will be looking at identifying and comparing circle and triangles. Looking at shapes in the environment, and directional language.

**Understanding the World** - We will continue to learn all about winter! We are exploring the changes that happen during this season, such as colder weather, shorter days, and how animals and people adapt. The children will take part in activities like winter-themed crafts, stories, and discussions about clothing and keeping warm.

We will also look at the artwork of Kandinsky. The children will explore this artist and try out some of their techniques

Thank you so much for your support in helping your child on their reading journey.

***If you are able to send in donations of any of the following to help us with the children's learning, we would be very grateful:***

Brown food colouring, Ginger and Cinnamon powder seasoning (for playdough), packing peanuts, cotton wool

Thank you in advance 😊

### Diary Dates

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December** - Rocksteady Concert - Invitations sent directly to parents by Rocksteady - 10am

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December** - Pantomime Show for Reception and Year 1 (Morning)

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December** - Reception Christmas Performance to parents- 2.15pm

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December** - Rocksteady Concert - Invitations sent directly to parents by Rocksteady - 10am

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December** - Reception Christmas Performance to parents - 9.15am

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December** - Christmas Lunch

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December** - End of term. Finish at 1:15pm

Thank you,

The Reception Team 😊