



## Russet Class Newsletter 19.11.18



### Children in Need

The children had great fun on Friday, taking part in lots of Pudsey activities and building up a greater understanding of this charity. They enjoyed working with Bramley children in the afternoon, sharing a range of stories to look for characters who displayed respect, along with those who didn't. The cake sale was definitely a popular event - many thanks for all your contributions! The total raised will be revealed soon!



### Christmas Nativity

Yes, it's that time already! We are now starting to learn songs for our Christmas Nativity, which is taking place on 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> December, at 2:15. We will involve the children in selecting suitable parts in the play, and will let you know about this by Friday this week so that you can start thinking about a costume ready for this event.



### Chocolate Tombola

FOCCS have set up the collection boxes in the hall, ready for the children to bring in donations of chocolate for the school fair. Just to let you know, the class which brings in the most chocolate gets to enjoy a non-uniform day. This is then weighed and divided by the number of children per class arriving at an average.



### Tree Planting Session

On Friday this week, children across the school will take part in planting a hedgerow around the perimeter of our new school field. Russet Class children will be working alongside Bramley Class children for this event. Please ensure your child has wellies and waterproof clothing in school so that they can take part in this session. As we use wellies and waterproof clothing on a regular basis, please ensure your child has these in their cloakroom area for them to access. Thank you.



### Our Learning this Week

Year R will now recap all 26 letter sounds learnt so far, so there is no need for them to return their Sounds Books. We will instead be building and reading words with the sounds taught, so please use the books at home to embed this skill alongside your child. We do also make a range of what are called nonsense words for the children to practise applying their phonic skills to read, for example, sep and pof. For further help with this, you may like to use an online game which the children have used in class: <http://ictgames.com/poopDeckPirates/index.html> You then need to select the level called Phase 3 CVC. Year 1 will also benefit from using this game. They should now be able to use all of the different levels. In other English work we will focus on the tricky words that the children should now know how to read. These are also known as the common misconception words, and include words such as the, go, to, into, I which Year R are now familiar with, along with he, she, me, we, be, was, you, they, all, are, my, her, said, have, like for Year 1. In maths we will be naming a range of 2D and 3D shapes, and describing them using correct mathematical language. We will also be using positional language to describe where things are, and Year 1 will learn how shapes can be rotated through  $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{3}{4}$  turns. Feel free to help at home by turning real objects. Our worship theme is centred upon learning about the Psalms this week, and the children will find out a little about the life of King David and his relationship with God.

