

Year 1



Dear Parents and Carers,

The children are starting to get into the festive spirit, with lots of practising of our Christmas songs ready for the "concert" next week.

English

The children started looking at our new well-loved text "What the Ladybird Heard" by Julia Donaldson. They planned and then drew their own farm maps and learnt about positional and directional vocabulary. They pretended to be Hefty Hugh and Lanky Len and gave each other directions in order to reach different places on their farm maps.

Maths

The children have been finding all the pairs of numbers that make 10. We used part, part-whole models and bar models to help us work out the different pairs systematically. They then moved on to thinking about addition sentences and the fact that the numbers "addends" are commutative and can be placed in any order to give the same answer.

Foundation Subjects

History: Sir Francis Drake was this week's exciting explorer. The children learnt about his exploits and discussed whether he should be considered a "privateer" or a "pirate". They then wrote either a "Wanted" or a "Welcome" poster depending upon their view.

Science: The children have discussed which animals make good pets and which do not, and have given reasons for their decision. They also demonstrated their knowledge of the classification groups that animals fall into.

Notices & Reminders

Next week we will be filming the children singing the songs 'Rudolph the Red-nosed Reindeer' and 'Away in a Manger' for our socially distanced Winter Concert. Please practise the words to these songs at home over the weekend. Thank you!

<https://www.41051.com/xmaslyrics/awaymanger.html>

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Values Award

Cornflower: **Noah & Arthur**; Foxglove: **Haris & Summer**; Lavender: **Raffy & Max**

Diamond Work Award

Cornflower: **Selena & Timothy**; Foxglove: **Philipp & Mathilda**; Lavender: **Logan & Isabelle**
