## Thames View Infants





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**Dear Parents/Carers:** 

#### **Reception Learning Week!**

Every week on a Friday we send out a letter telling you what's ahead for your child. Please continue to check the PARENTMAIL APP to stay up to date news and information.

As always, please come and see us if you'd like more information on the learning your child is working on. We can help you with tips on things to do at home and useful internet resources. We'd also love to hear about the fun you have at home learning new things together. And of course, keep an eye on Twitter (@AdamDobsonTVI) so you can see what we're up to!

## Christmas Concerts

Christmas concerts are still a very long way off indeed! We are still deciding on this year's theme but it's sure to be spectacular! As usual it will followed be a traditional Nativity led by our Nursery Children – with a great big British 'everyone joining in' spirit! There'll be the usual singing and dancing, as well as our famous grand finale! Everyone, for miles around, loves our Christmas Concerts! The concerts will take place on the following dates and more information will follow soon:

Tuesday December

Wednesday December

Thursday December

Friday 17th December

9:30am



# **Christmas Jumper Day**

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December

This year we are going to be supporting 'Save the Children' and participating in 'Christmas Jumper Day'. All children are invited to wear their Christmas Jumpers to school in return for a donation of £1 which we will pass on to this important charity. Please note that on this day, children who wish to participate should wear their normal uniform but with their Christmas Jumper on top.

### Please remember:

- Christmas Jumper Day Thursday 9th December
- Christmas Lunch Friday 10th December
- Pantomime Friday 10th December Christmas Concert (Reception Parents) Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> - 1.30pm

















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# Twitter highlights from this week's learning

Here are some pictures from this past week in Reception





If you want to see more of what is happening in Reception, sign up to Twitter and follow: @AdamDobsonTVI, @TVInfants, and @ClaireTVI

We'd love to see what fun you have together at home too – tweet us a picture and copy us in.

Please have a little look at the **blue box** below. I will be putting something new in it each week for you to do. Sometimes it will be about what parents can do, other times it will be for children to make something with you. Please read and enjoy the different activities and let me know how it goes. Remember to tweet pictures too!



### <u>Family Learning Together</u>

The children are fascinated by travelling to space and what the conditions are like when you get there. Take some time to watch some videos with them about Space Exploration.

Don't forget to tweet a picture and tag us too! © @TVInfants, @AdamDobsonTVI

We hope you'll find this information helpful

Yours sincerely,

Adam Dobson

**Head of EYFS** 





















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| Reception<br>Timetable 6th<br>December  | Monday   | Tuesday  | Wednesday   | Thursday Christmas Jumper Day Hippos Cooking             | Friday<br>Pantomime  |
|---|--|--|---|--|--|
| 8:55 - 9:10                             | We do the register and then we change our books every day. Ask me what colour book I'm reading.  |  |   |  |  |
|   | This week we are learning about our topic: Sun, moon and stars!  |  |   |  |  |
| 9:10 - 10:00                            | I can play a<br>counting game<br>with dice   | I can play a<br>festive<br>remembering<br>game     | I can remember<br>what happened<br>in the story       | I can join in with<br>a game of<br>'Chinese<br>Whispers' | I can learn about<br>why some<br>people celebrate<br>Christmas |
| Small group                             | Shared and Guided Reading including a language group.  |  |   |  |  |
| work                                    | Directed Activities in the classroom   |  |   |  |  |
| 10:00 - 10:20                           | Our Phonics lessons are called "Letter and Sounds".  |  |   |  |  |
|   | "g"  | "c"  | "o"   | "k"  | "revise"   |
|   | "Tricky" words we are learning: <i>I, the, go, to, no</i> Words we are practising: <i>gap, pap, pat, pit, pig, top, pod, pad, Kim, cap</i>   |  |   |  |  |
| 10:20 - 11:30<br>including free<br>flow | Free Flow Activities - including PE and a shared or guided read.   |  |   |  |  |
|   | In P.E. we are learning to get changed by ourselves and moving in different ways around the hall   |  |   |  |  |
|   | PE - Lions   | PE - Koalas  | PE - Hippos   | PE - Pandas  |  |
|   | In writing we are practising our new letters and developing our mark making skills with a range of resources   |  |   |  |  |
|   | A range of activities during free flow to develop children's skills in class and outdoors: This week Adult led activities are  |  |   |  |  |
|   | I can write and<br>draw things I will<br>see in space  | I can make a<br>rocket for the<br>role play corner | I can write a<br>letter to Father<br>Christmas        | I can make a<br>star for the role<br>play corner         | I can use<br>magnetic letters<br>to make words                 |
| 11:30 -11:45                            | ICT: I can use the<br>mouse to make a<br>snowman   | Music: I can learn<br>my concert dance             | ICT: I can use the<br>mouse to make a<br>rocket/alien | Music: I can learn<br>my concert dance                   | Circle Time: I talk<br>about different<br>feelings             |
| 11:45 - 1:00                            | Lunch Time   |  |   |  |  |
| 1:00 - 1:30                             | Maths - Numbers, counting and ordering   |  |   |  |  |
| Maths                                   | I can take away from a set of objects and know how many are left   |  |   |  |  |
| Free Flow                               | We have a construction area and mark making 'container' outside - children are making space themed models and pictures.  |  |   |  |  |
| Homework                                | Children should read their books at home every day with a grown up. You can talk to them about the activities above and perhaps get them to show you. We will give homework out on a Friday please return it the following Monday. |  |   |  |  |