## Hassocks Infant School Weekly information for Parents and Carers Weekly Overview

Year group: 2 Date WC 11.12.23

Area of learning	What we will be learning		
Communication, Language and Literacy	Our key text is 'Ready for Christmas' by Jillian Harker  We will continue to explore poetry this week and will be working with the above poem. We will be focusing on rhyme and creating a word bank of rhyming words to use in our own version of the poem. We will be creating our own rhyming couplets.  Vocabulary:  poem, verse, rhyme, couplet	Phonics We will be continuing to assess the children this week on their Phonics learning.  Spellings this week are: one, two, three, four, five  Tricky word: could  Please practise these at home. You could: Paint the word Time yourself and see how many times you can write the word in 30 seconds Pyramid write the word Make the word with playdough Chalk the word on the ground Write the word in rainbow writing  Please practise them in any other ways that your child might enjoy. We will then review these words each Friday and have a spelling quiz.	
Mathematical Development	We are continuing to explore addition. This week the children will be learning to:  • Add two 2-digit numbers not crossing 10 • Add two 2-digit numbers crossing 10  We will be exploring these skills practically, using a variety of manipulatives and developing our use of CPA (Concrete, Pictorial and Abstract).  Key Vocabulary Addition, more than, total, sum, altogether, plus, commutative, exchange  Questions you might ask your child  What numbers do you need to add together? How many tens are there in ? What do you need to add to get to the next 10? What can you partition into? How many more do you need to add? What is +? What does commutative mean?		
Knowledge and Understanding	RE – Christianity Big Question - What special things do Christians do during Advent to prepare for Christmas? The children will be exploring the traditions of Advent and finding out how Christians prepare for Christmas.  Questions you may like to ask your child: How do people around the world celebrate Christmas? What is Advent? What do Christians do during Advent? What do Christians believe is the most important message of Christmas?		
Creative Development	DT The children will be using their sewing skills and following their plan to create their space Christmas decoration. They will be evaluating their finished product and thinking about what went well and what they might change next time.		
Physical Development	The children will be taking part in a variety of Christmas games with Jenny PE skills that they have learnt this term.		

	Any Other Information	Please can you make sure that your child has a pair of wellies in school every day. Please can you ensure that your child has the appropriate PE kit in school, including leggings/joggers and a sweatshirt, now that the weather is getting colder. Our PE days are Tuesday and Thursday. Please can long hair be tied back on PE days, as this is a necessary part of keeping the children safe during their PE lessons. Please can you ensure that all your child's belongings are clearly marked with their name as this makes it much easier to locate and return their property to them when mislaid.
		We are so proud of our year 2 children's Nativity performances and we hope that if you were able to come to them, that you enjoyed them too.
		We hope you all enjoy a lovely Christmas with your families and find some time to rest and relax. We look forward to seeing the children after the holidays.

Thank you for your continued support,

The Year 2 Team.

Please note this is a basic overview of the planning for this week. It is impossible to cover in this outline all the learning that takes place during a week! We also believe in listening to your children and responding to the children's interests and ideas and therefore all our planning is **very** flexible. Please note some of the learning will take place across more than one week and during some weeks, the learning focus may not cover all curriculum areas