**Poem from the Poetry Basket**

**Mice**

I think mice are rather nice.

Their tails are long, their faces small,

They haven’t any chins at all.

Their ears are pink. Their teeth are white.

They run around the house at night.

They nibble things they shouldn’t touch.

And no-one seems to like them much.

But I think mice are nice

**Don’t forget…**

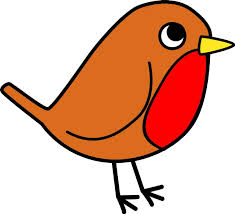
**Parents evening -** Thursday 21st November parents evening has changed to Thursday 5th December.

**Water Bottles –** please bring in a named water bottle each day for your child.

**Have a wonderful weekend.**

**From Mrs Burrough, Mrs Slade and Miss Hill**

**Robin Class News**



**Year Reception**

**RE –** Continuing on from last week’s lesson, where the children were learning that Jesus was born in a stable and laid in a manger, we listened again to the story, Room for a Little One by Martin Waddell. The children thought about how the animals felt when they were welcomed into the stable by the Ox and each other. We had words like, calm, relaxed, relieved, nice, fuzzy etc. suggested by the children. Then the children drew one of the animals from the story and told us what they said which we scribed into a speech bubble. After this, the children thought about what they can do to be kind.

**Maths -** In maths this week we have started learning to find one less than a number and to tell number stories. For example, first there were four leaves on a tree. Then one leaf tumbled to the ground. Now there are three leaves on the tree. We made up our own number stories and drew pictures to represent them. We also sang lots of songs about counting backwards and used counters on our five frames to represent the objects.

**Axminster Library Visit –** On Tuesday morning we walked down to Axminster Library. The children really enjoyed browsing the picture books and listening to stories read by the adults. Please return your books to the library on the 17th December which is three weeks from our visit. Thank you to the parents for accompanying the children.

**Phonics - week beginning 25th November 2024**

In phonics this week, the children have learnt to read and write the digraph ss and to read and write the words, I, into and her as well as captions with these words. They have learnt their letter names and have learnt the sound they make (the phoneme). I have assigned a game with the letter sounds on Bug Club for your child to practise. Please log onto Bug Club to play some of the games with your child.

We have listened to the sounds the letters f and l make and we have practised writing the letters. I have sent home the flash cards for you to practise at home. You could stick them onto cereal box card so you can use them as flash cards. Why not rearrange the sound cards to make words and practise reading words?

**Drawing Club -** This week in Drawing Club, the children listened to the story Peter and the Wolf. On our first day the children drew a picture of Peter, one of the characters in the story. Then we drew a picture of Grandad’s log cabin. We will draw the adventure part of Peter and the Wolf next week. Please do keep reading the story to the children so they are really familiar with it and can retell parts of it themselves.

The vocabulary we used for Drawing Club this week was quarrel, shriek, squawk, ferocious, captured, bumbling, compassionate, parade.