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18th December 2025

Dear all,

We have had a wonderful last week of term in Reception. I am so impressed with the children's perseverance and determination this week. Despite the tiredness and sniffles, the children have continued to come in full of energy and festive cheer. Our week has of course included lots of festive fun. The children have been busy designing Christmas jumpers, writing Christmas cards in our workshop and making Christmas patterns on the peg boards.

On Tuesday afternoon we had lots of fun exploring how to make a map. The children recalled our local walk last week and we identified the key features of our village e.g. pub, café, park and school. The children then created their own map of Flyford Flavell using this knowledge. I was very impressed with how confidently the children recalled the features of our village, the maps they created were fantastic!

In maths this week we have explored sequencing events and identifying different times of the day. In phonics we have focused on recapping our previous learning. The children particularly enjoyed searching for 'ch' words in Mrs Bown's café menu!

Christmas Jumper Day: Tomorrow we are having a Christmas Jumper day at school. The children are invited to come in wearing a Christmas Jumper with their usual school (Forest School for Reception) uniform.

Reading Books: To access reading books over the Christmas break, please follow the link below and type in your child's login to access the books. If you have lost your child's login, please let me know. We would really appreciate it if our Reception children could continue to read frequently over the holiday as this is such a new skill for them.

[Learner Login - Log In - Twinkl](#)

Phonics Workbooks: Just a quick reminder that our learning has focused on consolidation this week so there are no new sounds for the workbooks.

P.E: After the break our P.E sessions will continue to take place inside. Please do feel you can just pack your child's indoor kit (pair of rubber soled black pumps, white t-shirt, and plain navy shorts).

Finally, I wanted to say a big thank you to you all for being so helpful and supportive during the children's first full term at school. The children in Reception have all made such fantastic progress since they started school. This would not be possible without the support we receive from our families, thank you!

I hope you all have a wonderful Christmas, see you in 2026!

Kind regards,

Mrs Bown



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