

## Class R's Learning Letter

It was lovely to meet with you at parents evening to share with you your child's achievements. I am so pleased with how well they have settled and the progress that they have made already!

Last half term, we had a great time learning all about 'The Great Fire of London'. Miss Johnston and I were blown away with the amount of information the children could recall and explain about the fire. The topic came to an exciting finish with a visit from the Nottingham Fire Service. Again, the children listened well and were keen to ask lots of questions. Here are a few photographs of the morning's events. There are also a few more on the school's website.



This half term, our whole school topic is all about 'Dragons', which is linked to the juniors' production of "Dragon Days." Although we will not be performing in this production, it will be great to 'get involved' and I know the children will have a brilliant time developing their imagination through dragon related activities.

It will also further support our understanding of the play when we watch the dress rehearsal.

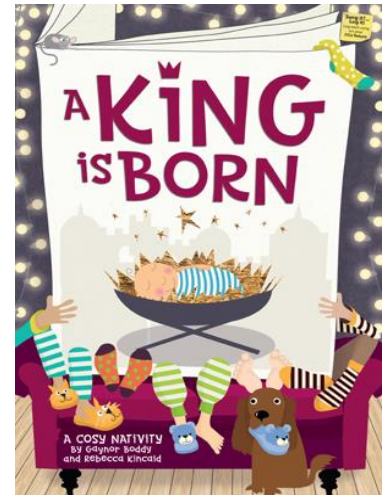
In literacy, we will be exploring the topic of 'Dragons' through a range of texts and media. Firstly, we will begin by finding out about dragons that exist within the world, such as komodo dragons. Then we will be developing the concept further by using the children's imagination to create their own dragon species... with a little guidance from a dragonologist! Again, if your child has any dragon

related stories that they would like to bring in to share at story time, they are more than welcome to do so.

In math, we will continue practising counting, recognising and writing numbers to 10 and 20. We will also be learning about 2d shape, weight and capacity, and the vocabulary that surrounds these concepts.

PE will continue to take place on a Wednesday morning, however, your child's PE kit should be in school at all times in case sessions need to be changed. This term it is also essential that your child's kit contains jogging bottoms and a jumper so they are appropriately dressed in case we go outside. Over the next few weeks we will be focusing on developing control and co-ordination when handling equipment such as balls, hoops and skipping ropes.

This week, Miss Johnston and I will be giving out parts for our own production of 'A King is Born', which is a version of the nativity story retold to a group of children who are excited for the arrival of Christmas Day! Some children will have a few lines to learn, which we will be sending home shortly. We would be very grateful if you could help your child practise their lines at home, to develop their confidence when performing to an audience.



Finally, thank you for sending in your child's 'Wow Moments'. It's great to celebrate their out of school achievements and it really helps us to get to know your child a little better. If you would like some more yellow slips, there are some spare located on the parent notice board in the classroom.

Thank you for your continued support and if you have any questions please come and ask.

Miss Tarrant