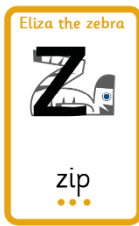




Last week the children enjoyed learning the story of The Gingerbread Man. They joined in with the story telling. Check if they can remember the story by retelling it at home. .  
 Lots of practising is now underway for the Infant Nativity which takes place next Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December. If your child needs to bring in clothing to wear under their costume for the Nativity then please provide it this week. If you are having any trouble getting an item of clothing please let me know.

## Phonics

This week we are learning:



## Maths– Shapes with 4 sides

This week we will be learning about similarities and differences between squares and rectangles.

You can support your child by going on a shape hunt. What shapes can you find on the way home? Can they name the shape? Can they count the number of sides.

## KINDNESS AND COMPASSION

**Kindness** matters. It can turn a person's whole day around. As Christians we are called to show **compassion** to our neighbour; Jesus commands us to 'love one another'; Pope Francis calls us to look after our world and each other.

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<b>Making something</b>	Draw a picture for someone who is kind to you and give it to them.
<b>Sharing</b>	Share your toys when playing with someone.
<b>Looking after the world</b>	Pick up litter in and around your home and put it in the bin
<b>Praying</b>	Light a candle and say a prayer for someone at church or Write a prayer for someone that needs God's help and pray it with someone at home.

The latest Rainbow Challenge is set out here. The challenge is optional but if your child would like to take part, to earn a rainbow pin, then they need to complete all the activities.

Evidence can be added to Tapestry in the following way.

Make a new observation for your child on Tapestry with the title Kindness and Compassion Please add evidence for all challenges to the **same** observation; this can take the form of photos and videos.

You have until **15<sup>th</sup> December** to upload your evidence. **All parts of the challenge** must be completed to earn the kindness and compassion pin. **Any evidence added after this date will not be considered.**

## Christmas stamps

If your child would like to give Christmas cards to other children in school, Christmas stamps can be purchased at a cost of 3p each. You should have received an envelope to place your stamp order.

If you are concerned that your child may forget to take the envelope (with the stamp money inside) out of their bag, please ensure they come into school holding it. A Year R adult will collect it at the door.

Stamps are usually sent home on the same day they are ordered.

Once the stamps are attached to the cards, please send the cards into school—again handing them to a Year R adult.

Please note that giving Christmas cards is completely optional. All money raised from stamp purchases will be donated to Battersea Cats and Dogs charity

Thank you for your continued support.