



# St Minver School

Head of School: Mrs J Rodwell

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2023

**Phonics** This week we will be learning to recognise and write z, qu and ch. We will also be learning to read words that indicate a plural with an 's' at the end. The tricky words we will be learning to read this week are: go, no, to, into.

**Owl Babies** Last week the children thought of their own characters for a story based on the Owl Babies theme. We had 'Cheetah Babies', 'Turtle Babies', 'Tiger Babies' and 'Flamingo Babies'! They created story maps and performed their stories with actions. This week we will start to use a writing toolkit to help us to write the stories. The writing toolkit is made up of things that are required to write a sentence: Capital letter, full stop, finger spaces and phonics. These will be displayed in the classroom and referred to regularly to support the children in their early writing journey.

**It's Me 1,2,3!** This week in maths we are going to explore circle and triangles. The children will notice these shapes all around them and begin to describe their properties. We will move on to use the language of size to compare shapes and we will take part in a shape hunt around school. Lastly the children will hear and begin to use positional language such as 'in', 'on', 'under', 'over', 'beside', 'between', 'in front of', 'around', 'through' and 'behind'.

**Understanding the World** In our RE learning this week we are going to learn about how Mary found out that she was going to have a baby. We will explore the idea of angels sending messages in Bible stories.

We will explore another religion: Hinduism and find out about the festival of Diwali.

**Jigsaw** We are going to continue to explore the idea that we are all special and unique. The children will discuss the ways in which they are similar to someone else and ways in which they are beautifully different.

If you have any queries or concerns, please don't hesitate to pop in to see me.

Kind regards,

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