



11th January 2018



Can we begin the year with great big **thank you** for all of the kind and generous gifts we received over the Christmas period, whilst not necessary, it was all much appreciated.

Thank you x



## Dates to remember:

Crackley Hall School and Little Crackers Open Day
Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> January
Half Term (Term time children)
finish Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February, back Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February

## Spotlight on sounds:

As we move through Stage One of the Letters and Sounds programme in the Pre-School we will continue to focus on oral segmenting and blending:

"But what is oral segmenting and blending, and why are they important?" (I hear you cry...!)

It is segmenting a word into separate phonemes and then immediately blending the sounds together to say the word, as much as possible in real situations.

(It's time to get your h-a-t, hat!)

(But... only use single syllable words for oral blending, otherwise it gets REALLY complicated!!)

Children are then in a great position when they start writing - because they can hear all the different sounds that make up a single word.

## Nursery Notices:

Please don't bring toys, jewelery or watches from home.

(Obviously the little ones have special teddies for sleeps)
but for everyone else,
please leave home toys for home.

We do not want things getting lost,
borrowed or broken.

Thank you x

## Joke of the week:

What is a cow's favourite time of year?



Moooo Year's Eve!!!



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