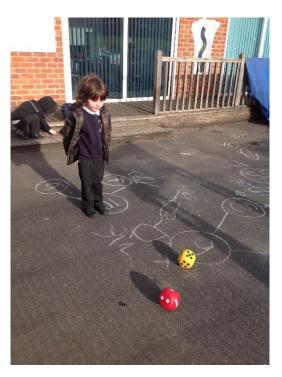
## Reception class newsletter Week ending 10<sup>th</sup> February 2023

We had a lovely end to the week as we brought our RE topic 'Celebrating' to a close with a class celebration. The children all helped to plan this celebration, discussing what they remembered from our topic and what they wanted to include. They agreed that we should hold the candles which we had made last week as we prayed the 'Our Father' and listened to the story of Mary and Joseph taking Jesus to the temple. The children had decided that no celebration would be complete without yummy food, so we all enjoyed a cake from the bake sale with our milk!





In maths we've continued with the 'White Rose' spring term 'Growing 6,7,8' topic. We have started to learn about addition, combining two sets of objects or pictures. At this stage addition is a really practical, hands on concept. If you want to help your child practise addition at home, then use any practical resources you have lying around. Get them to add a lego tower of 5 bricks and another of 3 bricks or put 4 grapes in bowl and then add 2 more...how many altogether? We want the children to develop automatic recall of these number bonds so we take every possible opportunity to practise!



Our focus story this week has been 'Goldilocks and the three bears'. Next week we're going to be looking at 'Beware of the bears' by Alan Mac Donald which is a bit of a twist on the traditional tale. We've done some great 'hot seating' this week where the children go into character and answer questions from each other.



The Children are really enjoying playing the glockenspiels to accompany their singing in our weekly music lesson.



We are looking forward to meeting with you all next week for parent's evening. Have a lovely weekend!