




Newsletter



Monday 6th December 2021



	<i>Pupils Involved</i>	<i>Event</i>
Monday 6 th December		
Tuesday 7 th December	Whole school Reception	PE (come in PE kit) Forest School session - but we'll be indoors. Movie night - Polar Express (finish at 5.15pm)
Wednesday 8 th December		
Thursday 9 th December	Class 2	Swimming - need swimming kit (costume /trunks, goggles and a towel in a bag)
Friday 10 th December	Reception	Festive Friday - wear something Christmassy instead of your uniform! Forest School session - indoors!
Monday 13 th December		
Tuesday 14 th December	 Santa Run! Please come in outdoor PE kit (or a santa suit!) ready to run with everyone. (Extra socks might be a good idea!)	
Wednesday 15 th December	Christmas party day - children can come to school in party clothes.	
Thursday 16 th December	Class 2	Swimming - need swimming kit (costume /trunks, goggles and a towel in a bag)
Friday 17 th December	Festive Friday : Christmas Dinner School closes for holidays 3.15pm	



*Please contact our school office as soon as possible if your child is absent– thank you.
For the safety of all children - please inform school directly if there are any changes
to your child's home time arrangements – thankyou.*

If your child has any COVID-19 symptoms you will be asked to get them tested with a PCR test following the latest government guidance.



We will be sending home our parent survey today via Class Dojo as a Google Form. Please take a few minutes to complete and return. Thank you.



Thank you for the raffle prizes already received in school. Raffle tickets will be available to buy from school and in the village from this week. (Parentpay is set up and will be open until the end of the school day on 10th Dec)
Please send in any further donations for our raffle into school - thank you.

The raffle will be drawn this Friday afternoon.

The 100 Square is filling up nicely - there are 2 chances of being a winner this month.



Cinema Night - tomorrow (Tuesday 7th December)
Children can bring their PJs to get changed into after school, settle down with friends and watch this lovely film together. We'll have hot dogs and hot chocolate at the interval. Please confirm attendance with payment via ParentPay and collect your child from the main office door at 5.15pm.
Thank you.

What are we doing in our classrooms this week...?

Reception Topic - Snap, Crackle, Pop Theme of the week- A range of Christmas stories.

Communication and Language- We will learn the lyrics to the songs in the Christmas play.

Personal and Social Development- We will introduce the story 'The snowman and the snowdog' and we will complete a range of 'acts of kindness' activities.

Physical Development - We will practice our scissor control as we cut out Santa's beard and cut out baubles to go on the tree.

Literacy- We will continue our RWI programme and we will introduce the tricky words 'I' and 'the'. We will have lots of writing opportunities such as writing Christmas cards, lists and labels. We will write our own Christmas Cards.

Maths- In Maths, we begin to focus on one more and one less using lots of physical objects and songs. We then begin some addition using our Christmas workshop to add different amounts of presents together.

Understanding the World - We will talk about how we each celebrate Christmas and how different families have different traditions.

Expressive Arts and Design - We will continue to learn our songs for the Christmas play and continue our music lessons with Mr Burns. We will create our own role play stories in Santa's workshop.

Class 1: English- Our focus this week will be Christmas. We will be writing letters to Santa Claus and to our class elf Snozzle Trump. We will be ordering and sequencing the Christmas story and writing our own Christmas story.

Maths: We will be doing lots of fun Christmas Maths challenges to help us consolidate our knowledge of place value, addition and subtraction. We will also be using our 2D shape knowledge to create Christmas pictures.

Science- Our topic this half term is materials. This week we will be designing a toy for Santa's workshop and saying what materials we would use and why.

History- Our topic this half term is 'The Great Fire of London'. This week we will be learning about how the fire was stopped and comparing it to how we would stop a fire now.

Design & Technology- Our topic this half term is designing and making a fire engine. This week we will be finished off our fire engines and adding the wheels and axles to them.

Art- We will be designing and making our Christmas cards and calendars.

P.E- Mr Ellison will be doing Christmas themed games this week with a focus on multi skills.

R.E- This week we will be learning about the Christmas story and why Christians celebrate Christmas.

P.S.H.E- This week we will be learning about how different people celebrate Christmas.

Music- Mr Burns will be teaching us some Christmas songs.

How to help at home- When you are reading a bedtime story can you ask your child to tell you what is happening in the story?

Class 2:

English - This week we will be writing our stories that we planned last week, we will be creating front covers and writing a blurb also.

Maths - We will be continuing our work on lengths and area. Year 3 will be adding lengths, Year 4 will be making shapes of a given area and Year 5 will be working on calculating the area of compound shapes. We will also be doing some Christmas codebreaking.

Science - We will be learning about transparent, translucent and opaque materials. Year 5 will be learning about how the eye works.

Topic - We will find out about rationing during World War Two this week.

DT - We will be making our Viking longships this week.

PE - Multi skills with Mr Ellison and swimming on Thursday.

Helping at home - can you please continue to read three times each week at home. We are really enjoying using Times Table Rockstars at school, please use it at home, it is really helping!