



INFANT LEARNING NEWS

Monday 2nd – Friday 6th December 2019

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Dates for your diary

Saturday 7th December – PTA Long Lane Winter Wonderland

Thursday 12th December – Christmas Plays

9:30 – Rainbow Class performance

2:00 – KS1 afternoon performance

6:00 – KS1 evening performance

Monday 16th December – Infant Christmas parties

Tuesday 17th December – Rainbow Class trip

Wednesday 18th December – Christmas dinner and jumper day

Thursday 19th December – School finishes at 1:30pm.

This week's learning

Reception

This week we have been learning about Advent and how we prepare for Christmas. This started with making a Christingle and Christmas cards. We have also been counting backwards, one less each time, from ten.

Rehearsals for the Nativity play are progressing well. On Friday we performed our play to pre-school.

We are planning to do a favourite book for 'Show and Tell' as part of a way to encourage all the children to have a love of reading. It would be wonderful if we could have a picture uploaded of the children having their favourite story being read to them at home put onto Tapestry. We will then use this a prompt for 'Show and Tell' with the children telling the class what the book is about, why it is their favourite, which character do they like best and why we should read it to the rest of the class. Obviously this will need to be done over time so there is no rush to upload a picture as we would only be able to do one or two each day. Please can the children bring the story in for us to read for the class story.

A very BIG THANK YOU everyone for all the support in obtaining things for the classroom and the Nativity donations.

NB Forest School: Monday 9th December...Group 3(list in class window) will need to come into school ready for this activity (boots can be put on after arrival to school). PLEASE can all children wear gloves for this activity

Monday 16th Buying a stamp and posting a letter activity. Please help your child prepare for this as requested on the initial letter.

Year 1

In maths this week, we have had fun learning how to solve problems and have completed our first quiz. We have also been busily rehearsing our play and have started making props to use during the performance. If you have not sent a costume in already, please do so ready for our dress rehearsal on Monday. Any difficulties with this, please speak to Miss Penn on Monday morning. In English this week we have been planning and writing letters for Santa. I am sure he will be impressed with all the good deeds being done by children in Year 1 ☺

Year 2

In Maths this week we have been using money and adding coins. In English we finished our own Gruffalo stories and then created fact files about our new characters. In science we learnt about food chains. We have continued practicing our Christmas Play and look forward to sharing it with you next week. If you have not sent a costume in already, please do so ready for our dress rehearsal on Monday.

We have noticed that some children haven't read at home for a number of consecutive days in recent weeks. May I remind you that there is an expectation that children are reading daily as part of their homework in KS1. Unfortunately, we do not have the time or volunteers to listen to individual readers as much we could in years gone by and it is essential children are reading with an adult at home. Please speak to your child's class teacher if you need support with this.

Y2 - New **spelling lists** were sent home on Friday.

Y2 **Mathletics** tasks set this week:

- Are you ready?
- Money – who's got it?