



Year Two Weekly Newsletter

Week Ending: Friday 27th November

Dear Parents and Carers,

With the Christmas Season fast approaching, there are a few things that we wanted you to be aware of;

- Christmas Cards. Sadly, we will not be allowing children to hand out Christmas cards to all of their class mates and friends in other classes this year. We feel that it wouldn't be a good idea due to COVID restrictions.
- Christmas Performance. As we said on last week's newsletter, we will be doing a little performance and making it into a film that you can watch at home. We have decided to act out the children's story book, 'Father Christmas Needs a Wee' by Nicholas Allan. We have sent a separate letter to let you know what your child's costume needs to be.
- We will be having a Year 2 party in the hall on Thursday 17th December (in the afternoon). We hope to have some party games and perhaps a bit of a disco. Children should still wear their school uniform. We will be asking you to send in a small amount of party food for your own child to eat. We will not be sharing food due to COVID restrictions.
- Jolly Jumper Day!!!! The whole school is having a Jolly Jumper Day on Thursday 10th December. This is just for fun and we will not be asking for any money for charity. Children can wear a Christmas jumper if they wish, but we do not want parents to feel that they have to buy a jumper for their child to only wear once! Your child could just wear a jumper in a bright colour or a jumper with something on it that they like, or you might decide to decorate an old jumper. As long as it is 'jolly', anything goes!!! ☺
- Whole School Panto. We sometimes have theatre companies that come in to school to perform for us. Obviously this year we cannot invite anybody in to school. However, some theatre companies have been busy making virtual performances (pre-recorded videos) and the school has decided to purchase one of these, so that children will get the opportunity to watch a Christmas Pantomime from the comfort of their own classrooms!
- The Friends are also treating every class to a little gift in the form of a new book for our reading areas.

It isn't quite a normal Christmas, but we are trying to make it as fun as we possibly can, while still following all of the rules and keeping everybody safe.

Literacy We have continued to learn about India. We have been researching all about the country and writing down facts. We have also been answering some comprehension questions. We have learned about adverbs and have been using them in our own sentences.	Numeracy This week we have continued to learn about addition and subtraction. We have been using practical equipment, drawing and learning written methods so that we can add and subtract with two digit numbers.	Topic We have been learning about continents and oceans in Geography and learning all about India as well.
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Homework

Reading Please read with your child as often as possible and write any comments in the record book.	CLIC Learn-it's $6 \times 10 = 60$ $7 \times 10 = 70$ $8 \times 10 = 80$ $9 \times 10 = 90$ $10 \times 10 = 100$
Spelling If your child is in Mr Killick's group, their spellings are – celebrate, celebration, pencil, comb, race If your child is in Miss Jordan's group, their spellings are – catch, fetch, pitch, match, stitch. If your child is in Mrs Rose's group, their spellings are – light, might, right, fight, tight.	Literacy Complete some research about India. You might want to find out about; <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Location,• Culture,• Transport,• Important places, e.g. Taj Mahal,• Weather,• Food,• Fashion,• Important People. Can you present this information in the form of a colourful and engaging leaflet? Your leaflet might include; <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A title,• Headings or Subheadings,• Pictures,• Labels,• Captions.

Topic Homework Activities

These activities are optional, meaning that your child DOES NOT HAVE TO DO THEM, however they might enjoy doing them! If your child chooses to complete any of these, they can do them in their homework book and teachers will happily mark them 😊

Each week, choose a homework activity to complete. Some of the tasks could be done by yourself, some will need an adult to help you.

1. Choose a favourite animal and draw and label its lifecycle.
2. Anti-bullying week takes place during the week beginning 16th November. Draw a child who is being bullied or a child who is bullying. Add thought bubbles to show what they are thinking and feeling.
3. Draw around your hand and create your own henna design.
Different patterns symbolise different meanings, for example

a bird means freedom and flowers mean joy and happiness.

Write a sentence to explain what your pattern means.

4. We are learning about Mahatma Gandhi, who is famous for his words of wisdom. Research 'Gandhi quotes' and choose one with an adult. What do you think it means? How can we use it in our everyday lives?
5. Over a week, create your own weather chart. You could record the temperature as well as different types of weather. Can you think of symbols to show different kinds of weather?
6. Choose a capital city from the United Kingdom and make a poster filled with information about this place.