

R.E: This week we have been learning about the story of Moses and thinking about the reasons God chose him to lead the Israelites out of Egypt. We considered what makes a good leader and the children could recognise that Moses made a good leader because he listened to God.

Next week we will be starting our new topic 'Waiting'.

Key vocabulary: Waiting, preparing, Messenger, visit, celebrate, Advent, Jesus, Mary, Elizabeth, Joseph, shepherds, angels, Christmas, Bethlehem, manger, worship, wreath

English: This week we have started a new book, 'The Lion Inside' by Rachel Bright and Jim Field. We have compared and listed words to describe a lion and a mouse and written a sentence to say whether we would rather be a lion or a mouse. Some children tried to extend their sentences by giving a reason, e.g I would like to be a lion because..... We will continue working on this book next week.

Key vocabulary: Full stop, capital letter, finger spaces, instructions, first, then, next, finally

Maths: This week we have been working on subtraction within 10. We have carried out practical activities and moved on to pictorial representations. Next week we will be learning about fact families.

Key vocabulary: Numbers 1- 10, ones, tens, digit, addition, add, more, and, make, sum, total, altogether, subtract, equals, take away, bonds, part-whole, part, whole.

Science: This week we made our own clay ammonites, the children worked really carefully rolling out the clay, spiraling them round and adding detail. Next week we will be investigating the life of Mary Anning.

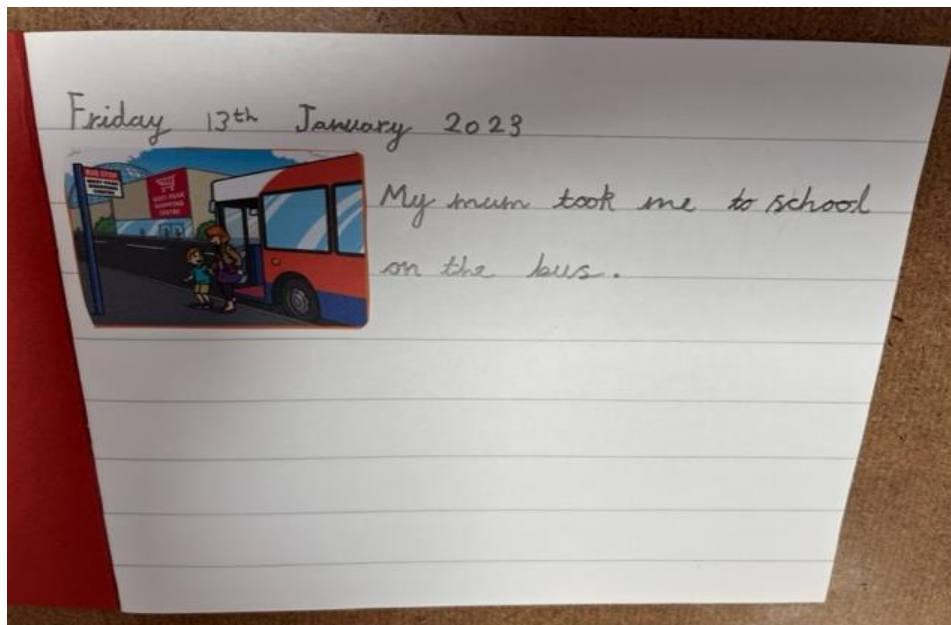
Key vocabulary: Fossil, ammonite, paleontologist, dinosaurs, prehistoric, markings, stone

Extra information:

Please continue to watch the phonics videos with your child.

Homework: Your child needs to think of a well-constructed sentence about the picture and write it out neatly following the school handwriting policy, including the long date, please see example below. It is **very important** that you supervise your child when carrying out handwriting in order to reinforce good practice. Please use a writing pencil.





Please return homework by Monday.

Please see below for the Well Being challenge and Mark Mission.

Please continue to learn the songs for our Christmas performance. The link for the music is below.

We have been very impressed with the excellent effort and beautiful singing so far! Thank you!

****** Christmas Play costumes******

Your child will need:

Plain black t shirt (long/short sleeved)

Plain black trousers or leggings

Black socks

Silver tinsel as a headdress.



Please send this in to school next week in a **named bag** with **all items labelled**.

Tickets for the Year 1 and 2 Christmas show have been put in children's reading records today.

Numbers for the evening performance will need to be restricted so we will be sending home **one ticket that admits 2 adults**. Please organise babysitters in advance as all children who attend our school as well as pre-school children will **not** be able to come into the evening performance. It is very upsetting for parents to miss their child's performance because they

have not made appropriate arrangements, and it is also very difficult for staff who must turn them away.

There will be an afternoon performance (2.30pm) and an evening performance (6pm) on **Thursday 7th December**.

The afternoon performance will not be ticketed. Children below school age should be brought to the afternoon performance and not the evening performance.

<https://www.outoftheark.co.uk/the-angel-who-nearly-missed-it-all.html> or this link: [MUSIC: Year 2 Christmas - The Angel Who Nearly Missed It All - Songs | Northlands Primary School and Nursery \(primarysite.media\)](#)

Enjoy the weekend.

Ann and Frankie

Five Ways to Wellbeing Challenge

CONNECT

Find a way of thanking someone for what they do for you. You might write a special letter or card. You might simply say thank you to that person. You might even choose different people over the week.

GIVE **BE ACTIVE** **TAKE NOTICE** **CONNECT** **KEEP LEARNING**

Our Mission this week:

To pray for all those who are the victims of wars that are going on around the world.