

Year 2 Update – 23.11.23

We have had another great week in Year 2. Thank you to all the parents who have been helping the children to learn their lines for the Christmas show. Please continue to work with the children at home, especially with using expression when saying their line.

Please remember to return reading books to school by Wednesday each week but please ensure reading records are in school every day as class teachers need these to read with children individually.

End of the Day Collection

From Monday Year 2 will be dismissed from the computer room door where they come in in the morning. Please wait for your child on the KS1 playground and we will send your child to you once we can see you. This will mean there will be less people on the KS2 playground at the end of the day allowing us to send the children home safely. Thank you for your patience while we trial this new system.

Christmas Show 2023

Tickets for the Christmas show have been put in children's reading records today. For the Year 1 and Year 2 performance there will be an afternoon performance (2.30pm) and an evening performance (6pm) on **Thursday 7th December**.

Numbers for the evening performance will need to be restricted so we will be sending home two tickets for each family. 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 have to turn them away.

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

Some children have been asked to bring in items from home to wear, if this is your child a note explaining this can be found in their reading records.

Children have been given their lines to learn for our Christmas Nativity as well as the song words to practice. Their lines have been stuck into their reading records. You can find the songs for the play by following this link: <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 \(primarysite.media\)](#)

RE

In RE this week we have continued our Advent topic of Preparations. The children have been talking about the gifts we have been given by God and how we can use these to be like Jesus. Next Thursday both classes will take part in an Advent retreat day in school based on the Nativity.

Next week, we will be looking at the annunciation and visitation.

Vocabulary: preparing, Advent, Christmas, Nativity, waiting, Annunciation, Visitation

English

This week the children have completed assessments in Reading, Grammar and Spelling. We are proud of the resilience the children have shown. As they completed a Spelling assessment this week the children's spelling test will be moved to next week so there will be **no spelling homework this week**.

Next week, the children will be writing a set of instructions about how to make a cloud.

Vocabulary: alternative, folks, fairytales, endings, mountain

Maths

This week in maths we have been completing assessments.

Next week: the children will be looking at comparing number sentences using the greater than, less than and equal to signs and continuing to work on word problems which involve addition and subtraction.

Vocabulary: part, part, whole, number bond, addition, subtraction, tens frame, multiple of 10, 10 more/ 10 less, 1 more, 1 less.

PE

This week was our last week of Watford Football Club's primary starts programme. The children used their skills from the last 10 weeks to create their own attacking and defending games in small groups. All of the children have really enjoyed this programme and have improved their dribbling and ball skills because of it.

Extra information:

- Please make sure all children have plimsolls in school.
- Children need to have trainers in school to wear for PE lessons.
- **Thursday 7th December at 2.30pm and 6pm** are our Nativity performance, see details above.
- **Tuesday 12th December** is our trip to Watford Pantomime, children need to be in school at **8.40**.
- **School closes at 1.30pm on Tuesday 19th December** for Christmas holidays.
- Here are links to some online learning tools relevant for Year 2 children:
[1-minute maths app](#) | [White Rose Maths \(whiteroseeducation.com\)](http://WhiteroseMaths.whiteroseeducation.com)
[Hit the Button - Quick fire maths practise for 6-11 year olds \(topmarks.co.uk\)](#)
[ictgames](#) | [html5 Home Page](#)

Thank you for all your support,

Bella, Eleay and Aimie



GIVE

Create your own Advent calendar. Each day leading up to Christmas, write down one positive thing that you have done or that you are going to do. It could be a kind act, say a prayer or learn something new.

Christ the King *Mission*

We want the world to know that
Jesus is the King of Kings.

Your Mission is to create a poster sharing this
wonderful news. You can then put it on
display for everyone to see.