

Year 2 Update – 7.12.23

We have had a busy two weeks in Year Two! Thank you to all parents who completed the parents' questionnaire for our Diocesan inspection last week. Children have not received homework this week as a well done for all their hard work with the Nativity.

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. Children will not receive a new reading book for the Christmas holidays.

Christmas Show 2023

Thank you so much for all your continued support with our Christmas production. We are sure you agree that the children were all fantastic in their roles and we are proud of them all!

RE

In RE this week we have continued our Advent topic of Preparations. The children have been looking at the events of the Annunciation and the Visitation as well as talking about the preparations Mary and Joseph had to make for the birth of Jesus. Last Thursday children took part in an Advent retreat day where they created their own class Advent calendar showing the different parts of the Nativity story.

Next week, we will be continuing to look at the Nativity story.

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

English

This week the children have written persuasive letters based on the Polar Express. **In response to their fabulous letters the children will have received a ticket inviting them to a Polar Express day in school next Friday 15th December. For this day children can come to school in their pyjamas.**

Next week, the children will be continuing to look at the Polar Express.

Vocabulary: Christmas, persuasion, conjunction

Maths

The last two weeks we have been looking at identifying properties of 2D and 3D shapes. The children have been naming shapes as well as using the correct vocabulary to describe them.

Next week: we will be continuing our work on shape.

Vocabulary: 2D, 3D, vertices, edges, curved, sides.

Design and Technology

To finish off our topic this half term, the children have designed and created their own moving vehicles. They have all ensured their vehicles move by including an axle and wheels and attaching these to the body of their vehicle.

Extra information:

- Please make sure all children have plimsolls in school.
- Children need to have trainers in school to wear for PE lessons.
- **Tuesday 12th December** is our trip to Watford Pantomime, children need to be in school at **8.40**, please ensure children have a coat and are wearing sensible shoes for walking.
- **Wednesday 13th December** is Christmas dinner day, children are invited to wear a **Christmas jumper and their own clothes to school.**
- **Friday 15th December** is our Polar Express Day, children are invited to wear pyjamas to school.
- **School closes at 1.30pm on Tuesday 19th December** for Christmas holidays.

- **School resumes on Monday 8th January** due to essential maintenance work.
- Here are links to some online learning tools relevant for Year 2 children:
[1-minute maths app](#) | [White Rose Maths \(whiteroseeducation.com\)](#)
[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



BE ACTIVE

Take some time to choose your family's Top 10 favourite songs, books or music that may be special for all sorts of different reasons.

Weekly Mission

