



Dear Parents and Carers,

WELCOME TO OUR WEEKLY NEWSLETTER!

We are so looking forward to seeing you at the Christmas Fayre tomorrow, if you are able to make it. Thank you to all of the parents and friends of the school who have helped us with this very special event

Nursery News

In Nursery next week we are continuing with our 'Talk for Writing' book *Brown Bear Brown Bear what do you see*.

We will be using a story map to tell the story. This helps the children to learn the story off by heart.

If your child has the book at home or you can get it from the library or you borrow it from us encourage them to 'read' the story to you.

We are starting to do some Christmas activities next week.

We will be making snowflakes & will be practising our scissor control & learning how to use a hole punch.

Year R

We've had a fantastic week with the children and have begun rehearsing for the Christmas nativity by learning songs and a Father Christmas dance.

In Literacy we have been looking at the story of the Gingerbread Man. The children were really excited to see the Gingerbread man in the playground and to try some gingerbread for themselves. Please talk to your children about the story and encourage them to draw a picture. Next week we will be making and decorating gingerbread in school.

Next week in maths we will be learning all about shapes. Please can you go for a shape hunt around your home and talk about all the shapes you can see.

Thank you!

Year 1

Nightingale class assembly is next Wednesday (29th November). Please come along at 3:10pm to see your child performing.

We've also been getting creative with our Christmas songs and beginning to learn these ready for the Nativity. You might want to see if your child can remember the words and the actions.

Year 2

It's been another busy week for Year 2 with preparations for our Christmas performance getting started. The children are excited already about showing you what they have been doing!

Can we please ask that you make sure that your child has their reading book and reading record in school every day. We like to share these books with the children but are unable to do so because so many are leaving their books at home. Remind your child they will get an extra ticket for the Friday raffle if they read at least three times per week at home. We have had our first children receive their gold certificates for reading 50 times at home. We would like to be able to give certificates to all of the children for their reading so please help them to do this after school and at the weekend.

Next week, the children will be starting some work on measuring in maths. Please help your child by comparing objects and using the words longer and shorter at home. Help them to

practise using a ruler to measure objects around the house accurately.

Year 3

This week we have finished writing a story about a volcanic eruption. Next week, we are starting a new unit in literacy where we are going to become news reporters, investigating events happening at our school. We are continuing to add and subtract in maths and in topic we are going to have an art week focusing on creating pictures of volcanos with different resources. Now that the weather is much colder, could children please have appropriate outside PE kit. Thank you, year 3 team.

Year 4

It has been a great week in Year 4 this week the children have been producing some fantastic work. They have produced some lovely letters in the role of Oliver Twist in Literacy and have been working very hard on their times table knowledge in Numeracy.

Next week in Literacy we will be continuing to study the work of Charles Dickens as we begin to read A Christmas Carol and we will be revisiting some of the topics we have covered in Numeracy in preparation for our assessment week.

Please continue to work hard with your children at home with their home reading and help them where necessary with their homework.

Year 5

This week in maths, we have begun learning about time. We are learning to tell the time on both analogue and digital clocks and, next week, we will be learning to find the difference between times. For example, how much time is between 4:17 and 6:08? It would be extremely helpful if you could practice telling the time (to the nearest minute) with your child at home.

In literacy, we have now finished our topic on 'The Time Travelling Cat' and the children have written some fantastic portal stories. Next week, we will be starting our non-fiction unit where

we will be creating information text about Ancient Egypt.

Please continue to save your glass jars (sauce or jam) as we will be using them for our Christmas craft in the next few weeks. Thank you.

Year 6

The children have contributed to decorations for the weekend's Christmas Fair. We are now looking forward to Christmas and our RE learning is focussing on the role of the Maji (three wisemen) in the Christmas story and the evidence for their inclusion in the story that is found in the bible. We will be thinking in more detail about our Bring and Buy sale that is planned for after the Christmas fair. In English, our balanced arguments are now complete. The year group has come a long way in developing this vital written skill that is the basis for so much learning at secondary school and beyond. They have argued for and against the inclusion of 'tech' in school and the children came up with some really interesting arguments both for and against. We hope you can make it on Saturday.

The Y6 team.