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Safeguarding

Please can all parents make sure they closely supervise their children in the school yard before and after school. We have had a couple of near misses (Yrs 5 & 6) knocking over the younger children. Thank you for your support.

Diary Dates

Mon 16 Dec
Thur 19 Dec
Fri 20 Dec

Rec Stay and Play
Christmas Party Day
Carol Service in Church 9:15am.
No Celebration Assembly
School closes for the Christmas Holidays and re-opens on Monday 6 January 2025.



After School Clubs

Mon - Art Club
No after school choir



Church Service Dates

18 Dec Rev Scriven The Christmas Story

Monday 16 December

Festive Breakfast in St. John's Vestry at 9:00am. All welcome to attend.

Celebration Assembly

Well done to the following children:

Rec	Albie	Year 1	
Year 2	Kaison	Year 3	Reggie
Year 4	Brooke	Year 5	Aliya
Year 6	Lillie		



Christmas Party Day

Thursday 19 December 2024

Children can come to school in their party clothes on Thursday 19th December for their Christmas Class Party. Please make sure your child wears sensible shoes and a warm coat for break time.

Your child will be given a note from class informing them what party food to bring to school on Thursday.

let's have
a party!



Christmas — Important Dates

Monday 16 December
Thursday 19 December
Friday 20 December

Thursday 2 January
Monday 6 January

Festive Breakfast in St John's Church Vestry, all welcome
Christmas Party Day
Carol Service in Church 9:15am
We break-up for the Christmas Holidays at 3.30pm
Messy Church 10am-12pm at St John's Church
We return to school at 9am



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EYFS—Asia

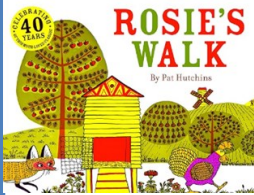
Well done to all of Reception Class for their super performances in 'Simply the Nativity'.

I am sure you will all agree, the children were wonderful and made us all very proud.

We continued reading our core text for Literacy for the last week:



The children have enjoyed sequencing the story and using it to compare sledges in the past to sledges today, linking to history.



In maths last week, we explored positional language. We used the story 'Rosie's Walk' to support our understanding of different words that describe an objects position:

The children then had the opportunity to apply their knowledge by drawing maps to show Rosie's walk around the farm yard.

In RE, we have ordered pictures from the Christmas story and the children enjoyed retelling the story in their own words.

Notices:

Reading books will be changed on Thursday and handed out on Friday this week as usual.

Christmas Party – Thursday is our Christmas party day. Your child was sent home with a letter last week, kindly requesting a donation of crisps, biscuits or cakes for the party.

There is no Forest School this week.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Thank you, Mrs Jesson and the EYFS Team.



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Year 1

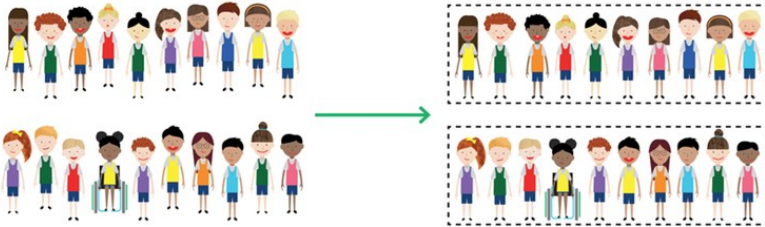
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Year 2 - Africa

A high well done to Year 2 for a super performance as narrators in our school nativity. We are so proud of you all!

In maths we have been continuing to look at division. We have also been looking at multiplication and division fact families.

20 children can be put into teams of 10.



$$20 \div 10 = 2$$

There are 2 equal teams.

There are 2 groups of 10 children.

$$2 \times 10 = 20$$



$10 \times 2 = 20$	$20 \div 2 = 10$
$2 \times 10 = 20$	$20 \div 10 = 2$

There is a relationship between the multiplication and division facts.



This is a multiplication and division fact family.

In English we have been writing our own traditional tales with twists.

Wishing you all a wonderful Christmas!

Thank you,

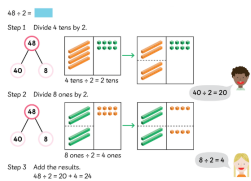
Mrs McLeod and Miss Fletcher

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Year 3 — Europe

In **English** the children worked hard writing their own version of the Green Children. Well done. Next week they will complete an independent piece of writing.

In **maths** we continued completing work on multiplication with the children using the column method to help them multiply numbers. We then moved on to dividing numbers by splitting the numbers into tens and ones – dividing the tens and then the ones.



In **Geography** this week the children used Google maps to find human features located in the counties of Lancashire and Cumbria. Ask your child which features they can remember.



In **Science** we completed an investigation looking at the amount of sugar in soft drinks. Ask your child which drinks we should drink less of and why.



Our **RE** lesson focussed on a story about a statue located in a church in Strasburg which was bombed in World War II. Although the church was greatly damaged the statue remained relatively untouched with only the arms being knocked off. The people decided not to repair the statue as it was a great reminder of the work of God that is done through his people.



Our **spelling lessons** concentrated on adding the suffix ous to words. We looked at words where the root word was unchanged eg dangerous. We also looked at words ending in e when we have to remember to 'get rid of the e and add ous.'

Eg fame = ous = famous



We all hope you have a great Christmas break and look forward to seeing you in 2025. Miss
Miss Martin

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Year 4

The class have all been focused and dedicated to their learning and have made good progress with their learning.

Maths

We have been doing our end of term assessment, we have also been going through areas of improvement.

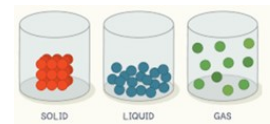
English



We continued our unit Fairy Tales, we planned out our own development of the Rumaysa story imagining that we are now the author and we are going to write as Zabina the owl. This week we started share write, looking at what we need to include in are success criteria.

Science

We investigated how different materials react when heated and cooling. Do they change state from a solid to liquid and back into a solid.



History

we continued our Anglo-Saxons unit- the children identified what the children wore and did. We also look at different towns where they settled.

Key Information:

Please remember that times tables are a key focus in Year 4 as we have the official test in June. Please focus once again on the 2,5,6,9 10, and 11x tables.

New spellings are handed out every Friday to practise throughout the week. Your child will be tested on these on the following Friday.

One piece of homework from the homework grid should be completed and handed in no later than Thursday every week. This will be returned by Friday. (Extra Maths work might be given)

Please read with your child at least 3 - 4 times per week. Please sign your child's yellow reading record and return both this and the reading book to school every day where this will be monitored.

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Mr Asif



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Year 5 — South America



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Year 6—North America

English: The children have been continuing with their biography unit and have started to write. They have used a range of sentence structures and punctuation in their work. We have also completed our Autumn assessment.

Maths: We have continued with decimals and moved onto multiplying and dividing decimals. We are getting there and the children are becoming more confident.

RE: The children have continued to look at Advent. The children have completed an assessment piece where they have told us about all of their learning over the last half term.

Science: Last weeks we looked at a timeline of life on earth over the last 4 billion years. The children plotted key event along the timeline.

Geography: The children have started their new unit which is The Caribbean and have been looking at the continent of North America.
The children have been looking at countries that make up the continent and their capital cities.

Please make sure your child is reading at least 3 times a week.

Please make sure shoes are worn not trainers.

Please make sure water bottles do not have juice in as we only allow water.

Thankyou for your support.