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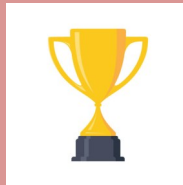
Diary Dates

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| Thur 18 Dec | - | Christmas Party Day |
| Fri 19 Dec | - | Christingle Service In Church 9:15am |
| | - | School Closes for the Christmas Holidays and re-opens on Monday 5 January 2026 |

Celebration Assembly

Well done to the following children who all received an award certificate in our Celebration Assembly last Friday.

Reception	Roman	Year 1	Freddie
Year 2	Joseph	Year 3	Avianna
Year 4	Laycie	Year 5	Deacan
Year 6	Hawa		



Behaviour Workshop

If you would like to attend the Behaviour Workshop on Wednesday 7th January 2026 at 9:30am, 2:30pm or 4:10pm. Please confirm your attendance by contacting the school office. Thank you

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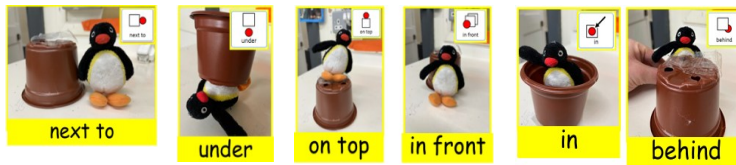
EYFS—Asia

A huge well done to Reception Class for their Nativity performance of:



In Literacy this week, we focused on using our phonics knowledge to write phrase: 'to Santa'. The children recalled or recognised tricky word 'to' and segmented the phonemes in 'Santa' to write it. The children then drew a picture of something they wanted.

In maths this week, we have been learning about positional language. The children have been using the following words:



This week in phonics we have been consolidating our learning of:

/o/c/k/ck/r/h/b/

Notices:

The children will be bringing home a letter about the Christmas Party today. This will detail the item of food which we kindly request you bring to the party of Thursday.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. We will see you in 2026!

Thank you, Mrs Jesson and the EYFS Team.

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Year 1 Antarctica

Everyone Loves a Baby – Nativity 11th December 2025

We are so proud of all the Year 1 children who danced and sang beautifully at all the 3 performances of our nativity - just like the stars they are! There are some photographs on our class page on the school website.

Well done Year 1.

English

We started the week with learning a simple version of the Supertato story. All the children worked hard thinking of actions to help them perform the story. The children then innovated the story thinking different characters and crimes which could have been committed. They had a great time acting out these crimes and reporting them to the police eg hanging Lemon from the sunshine and tying Pepper to the chair! On Friday they completed a plan for a new version of the story which they will write next week.



Maths

We completed our chapter on positions thinking about left and right. We then completed a revision task to assess what we have learnt this half term. Well done Year 1 you all worked hard and showed you have learnt a lot!

DT

We continued making our puppets this week. The children followed their designs carefully and produced some lovely puppets. They will bring them home this week.



RE

We continued thinking about the Christmas Story reading the part about the Three Kings. The children painted and drew pictures showing the Three Kings bringing gifts to baby Jesus.

I hope you all have a great Christmas.

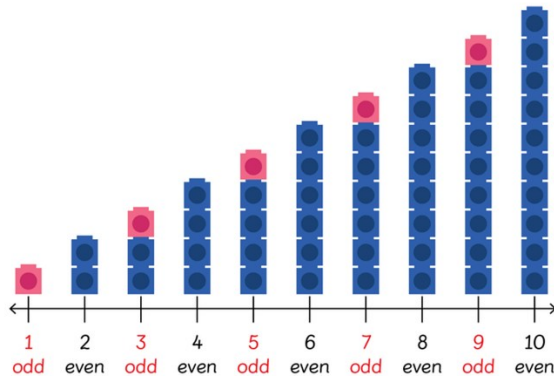
Miss Martin

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Africa Class Year 2

In maths we have been looking at odd and even numbers.

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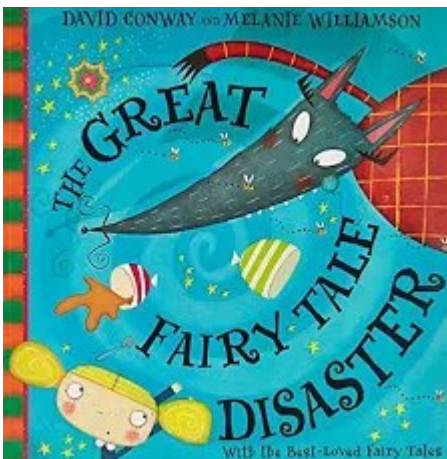
$$8 \div 2 = 4$$
$$10 \div 2 = 5$$

8 and 10 are even numbers.

We can divide even numbers exactly by 2.



In English the children have been creating their own stories based on The Great Fairy Tale Disaster.



In RE we discussed how we share the good news at Christmas and why the Nativity story is so important to share at this time of year. We created beautiful posters to celebrate the Nativity story.

Well done to all the Year 2 children for a great performance in our school nativity.

We wish you all a Happy Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Thank you for your continued support this year.

Mrs McLeod & Miss Fletcher

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Year 5 South America

Maths

This week, we have continued to practise **2-digit by 2-digit** and **3-digit by 2-digit multiplication**. These methods can take a lot of practice, but the children have shown great determination and effort. We have also continued to explore the **grid method** to support understanding. The children have thoroughly enjoyed their **Times Table Rockstars** sessions and tournaments, which have helped to build speed and confidence. Please continue to practise times tables at home as much as possible to support progress.

Guided Reading

In guided reading, we are still enjoying *The Butterfly Lion*. The children took part in a fun online multiple-choice quiz focusing on **retrieval questions**. We are all eager to discover whether Bertie will ever be reunited with the white lion.

English

In English, we are finishing our **shared write retelling of the legend of Gelert**, with each paragraph carefully focused on a specific **SPaG objective**. This week, the children will plan and write their own **innovated version** of the legend, changing the setting, characters, and plot while applying the skills they have learned.

Art

The children are now creating their **final Pop Art piece** with the theme '**Save Our Planet**'. They have experimented with a range of Pop Art techniques, including **Ben Day dots, primary colours, bold outlines, bubble writing, and block colour**. We are looking forward to seeing their completed artwork.

Coming up this week:

- **Thursday:** Christmas party afternoon. Children are welcome to come in their own party clothes and bring some party food to share with their peers.

Friday: Year 4 Christingle service at Church.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. I hope you have a lovely Christmas.

Miss Livesey



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