



Year 2 Curriculum information

Week Beginning: 27th November 2017

Dear Parents

In assembly this week, Mrs Harries talked with the children about Advent being a time we wait for Christmas to arrive. She talked about advent calendars and candles as well as the advent wreath used in churches and the preparations we make in getting ready for Christmas and special events. Some of the children came out to draw pictures they thought might be behind the doors of an advent calendar. Bird Family meetings focused on emotions; understanding them and talking about how to handle them.

Literacy Lessons

This week the children have:

- Continued to think about different spelling rules and ensuring that they remember to use them in their written work.
- Focused on adding 'ed', reminding themselves what verbs are and how to add the suffix, using any rules we have learnt.
- Read non-fiction texts and answered questions during our guided reading sessions.
- Practised reading with expression during Christmas Play rehearsals to make it an enjoyable experience for the audience.

Maths lessons

This week the children have:

- Focused on number, including adding tens and ones, and times tables.
- Recapped learning from this year so far, in preparation for end of unit assessments at the end of the term.

Other lessons and activities

In our topic lessons this week, we have prepared for our Christmas Fayre by creating lots of wonderful products with chocolate, glitter and fake snow to raise money for our charity 'Special Olympics Norfolk'. Thank you for the glass jar and cardboard tube donations.

In science, we have all observed the changes in the cress, rocket, mustard and hydrangeas growing in our classrooms, thinking about what the plants need to help them grow and where they have grown best.

In religious studies, we talked about the Christmas story through our Christmas Play rehearsals and by looking at some different pictures and reading the story.

We have enjoyed some more wonderful 'show and tell' presentations this week. Many thanks for all your efforts in preparing them. The children really enjoy finding out all about their friends' hobbies and always have lots of questions to ask at the end of the presentations.

We have been busy rehearsing our play and are looking forward to performing it for you next week!

Over the weekend:

You might like to continue to look at the different spelling rules we have learnt in class so far to add -ing and -ed to a verb.

Dates for your diary:

Thursday 7th December – 2.15pm - 3.15pm: Year 2 Christmas Production

Wednesday 13th December: 'Wear a Christmas Jumper Day' in aid of Special Olympics Norfolk

Thursday 14th December – 2.00pm - 3.00pm: Carol Service at Christchurch Eaton for Year 1 and Year 2 children

We hope you have a lovely weekend with your children.

Mrs Hayes, Mrs Lawry, Miss Shepherd and Mrs Harries

Melanie Harries