

Broadmayne First School Weekly Reminder

Week Beginning: Monday 9th December



Whole School Reminders:



This week we will be 'flying high' by focusing on the following Learning Attribute:

I can recognise how I feel.

R: I can name different emotions.

Y1: I can name emotions and say how I am feeling.

Y2: I can say why I am feeling a particular way.

Y3: I can recognise emotions others are feeling and name them.

Y4: I am able to identify how others are feeling



<u>Christmas Jumper Day - Thursday 12th December</u>

This year we will be taking part in Christmas Jumper day to raise funds for Save the Children. This is a fantastic opportunity to spread more festive cheer whilst supporting a wonderful cause. Children are invited to swap their school jumper for a Christmas Jumper. We can't wait to see everyones festive jumpers!

Please note as per the email sent out this week, if you are coming to the evening performance on Wednesday, due to capacity in the hall we will not be able to facilitate bringing siblings or other children.

Reception



What a wonderful albeit busy week we have had in Acorns class this week. We had a very exciting day on Tuesday when Father Christmas arrived in his helicopter to collect our letters! Christmas crafts are well on their way and we are in full swing with our nativity rehearsals. The children are amazing and make us proud everyday!

Here is what we will be getting up to next week in between nativities.

Words of the day this week: Sunset, packet, packet, rocket, jacket.

Phonics: In phonics this week we will be revisiting all of the sounds and words learnt so far. We will also be carrying out phonics and reading assessments.

Handwriting: The children have been really enjoying their handwriting sessions. We have the input for each individual letter and then the children have a go at writing it for themselves, they then come in on a Friday morning and practise the letter learnt the previous day in their little red books.

Maths: This week the children will continue to engage in activities that draw attention to the purpose of counting. The children will also begin to explore verbal counting to larger numbers.

Topic: This week we will be focusing on the book 'Stick Man' by Julia Donaldson where we will create activities to explore during continuous provision and make it our writing focus in Drawing Club.

Things to remember...

- *Christmas jumper day- Thursday 12th December.
- *Reading diaries and books in every day.
- *A healthy fruit/vegetable snack if you do not want a school one.
- *Water bottle with water.
- *A warm coat, hat, scarf.
- *No toys from home please unless for show and tell, please check the rota for your day.

Year 1

Weekly News

What a busy and exciting week we have had! Father Christmas arrived in a helicopter to collect our letters on Tuesday and Mrs Norman and Mrs Howells were very sad to have missed this special event! However the children told us all about it! Play rehearsals have continued this week and the children are very excited to show off their acting skills with you next week when we share our Nativity play with you. We will be having a second dress rehearsal on Monday, followed by our performances on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon and then finally on Wednesday evening. A very big thank you to all the parents who were asked to send in costumes for their child. We will finish off next week with yet another exciting event as we have a pantomime on Friday - Snow White!

This is what we will be up to in any spare moments between nativity rehearsals, performances and pantomimes:

English: After finding out lots of information about polar bears, we will read our class book 'Leaf.' To support our learning about the north and south pole, we will also read The Great Explorer and write a list of things we would take with us if we were off on a polar adventure! This week we will work on the correct formation of the letter u, one of the ladder letters. We will continue to work on sequencing parts of a story in our guided reading sessions.

Maths: We will continue to work on counting in 2s. We will also use rekenreks to work on number bonds to 5, using both bars of the rekenrek for the first time. We will complete our topic on measuring length.

Science: We will continue to think about different materials, and sort objects into the material

that they are made of. Our focus will be wood, metal, plastic and fabric.

Geography: We will be looking at the shape of the United Kingdom and labelling the countries. We will learn that London is the capital of England. We will also look at a map of the world to see where the north and south poles are.

PE: We will continue learning about travelling and rolls in our gymnastic session.

Weekly Reminders

- Please make sure reading books and diaries are in school every day.
- Please ensure that your child has a warm coat in school every day and that any hats, gloves and scarves are named!
- Please remember that the children should only have fruit or veg for snack time.

Year 2



Weekly News

What an exciting week we have had this week. We were visited by Santa in a helicopter to collect our letters, we got to practise our Nativity as a whole school for the first time and we got to share our learning with our adults in our second Flashback Friday. We hope you enjoy Flashback Fridays as much as we do!

Here's what we will be doing in Year 2 next week.

<u>Maths:</u> In Maths, we will be finishing our work on shapes. The children have done a wonderful job at naming 3D shapes and their properties. Next week we will be sorting shapes based on their properties.

<u>English</u>: In English we will be using the posters we created on Reduce, Reuse and Recycle to plan and write paragraphs explaining how we can take better care of our planet. The children will be drawing storyboards and then verbally rehearsing their paragraphs using the picture prompts before writing a paragraph.

Topic:

In Topic next week we'll be learning about artist Michelle Reader and how she reuses waste materials to create sculptures. The children will be using her work as inspiration to create our own junk sculptures. If you have any junk modelling resources that you would be happy to send into school to help us with our junk modelling we would be very grateful. We will be looking for items such as cardboard boxes, milk cartons (washed please), plastic bottles, egg boxes etc. Please feel free to send in any junk modelling resources you have at home up until Friday 13th December.

<u>P.E.</u> Due to the Christmas play we only have one P,E session next week. This will take place on Monday. However, we will have lots of opportunities in the classroom to move our bodies through our regular movement breaks.

Year 3



Weekly news: Wow what a week! We had a great turnout for the Christmas Fayre - thank you for your support, and then to add to the excitement Santa arrived in a helicopter! He collected the letters which we had written.

This week we have Forest School on **Wednesday** and **Thursday** morning (this is in lieu of our missed session because of snow). Please ensure that children have a **winter coat** and **wellies** for both sessions.

To complete the week we have a pantomime on Friday - Snow Whitel.

Our Christmas performance - Thank you for bringing in the Christmas outfits. We look forward to seeing you for the performances this week. We have a dress rehearsal on Monday, an afternoon performance on Tuesday and both an afternoon and evening performance on Wednesday!

Maths: We will be problem solving with addition and subtraction.

English: We will be continuing with our book 'Ice Palace'.

History: We have changed the order of our learning, so this week we have started finding out about significant people in WW1 focusing on Walter Tull. Next week we will be learning about the role of animals in the First World War.

PE: Trevor is finishing this week so there will not be any football next week.

Computing: We will be learning how to use an animation app.

Reminders:

- Please ensure that children have warm coats in school (hats and gloves are recommended)
- Please can the children only have fruit or veg for snack in line with other classes.
- Lastly, if you are sending in Christmas cards, please put the name and Yr3 on the envelope so that they can be posted into our Christmas letterbox and delivered to the right class. Thank you

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Year 4



Weekly news:

It was so exciting to see Santa this week! The children had written their letters in their books and we then asked the children to edit their letters and write them up neatly. Children who were off should not worry as Miss Cartwright and I typed up the absentees' letters so they did not miss out!

Thankyou for the costumes! Next week is 'Show Time!' We have a dress rehearsal on Monday, an afternoon performance on Tuesday and both an afternoon and evening performance on Wednesday! Excitingly, the show really does go on because we have a pantomime on Friday afternoon - Snow White!!

English and Science: We are frantically squeezing the curriculum in before the end of term so are putting lessons together. We will have a series of practical science lessons which lead up to the

making of ear defenders as part of our investigation into sound. We will be using our skills of explanation to describe the science behind our work.

Maths: In Maths, we will be finishing our unit on Multiplication and Division. We will be thinking about multiplying by 0 and 1 and what happens when we divide a number by 0 and 1. Our focus times table this week is the 7 times table so it would be good to do some work on this please.

History/DT: In DT, we will be painting our brooches and then evaluating them. We will consider how successful we were and what we would change if we were to repeat the activity.

Music: We continue with our film composition unit.

RE: We will be thinking about what is it like for Christians to follow God. This week, we will be exploring the idea of a promise and what it means to us.

PE: I am not sure we will be having PE this week as our afternoon slot on Wednesday will be taken by the Nativity and our Friday slot will be taken by the Pantomime. Watch this space!