

The 'Polar Bear' times

By Mrs Dixon & Miss Shepherd
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Learning
together
and
having fun!



Welcome back!

We hope you all had a restful half term break and ready for another busy half term in school. This half term we will be on the count down to Christmas. We will be sending out information regarding the Nativity show including lines for the children to learn and costume requirements so please check your child's bookbag at the end of the school day to check for these letters. I want to take this opportunity to thank you all for the support during our first half term. I was a pleasure getting to speak to you during the parent meetings and if there is anything you want to discuss further or if you have any questions then please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Mrs Dixon and Miss Shepherd.

Dates for your diary

- Wednesday 20th November: Year 2 Art Gallery - School Hall, 3.15-3.30pm.
- Friday 29th November: We will be decorating the school Christmas Tree.
- Friday 6th December: Awesome Achievers assembly.
- Friday 13th December: Christmas jumper and Christmas dinner day - details to follow.
- Tuesday 17th December: Y2 Nativity performance in the morning- details to follow.
- Wednesday 18th December: Y2 Christmas party which will take place in the afternoon.
- Friday 20th December: Spanish Nativity in church, starring the children from Spanish club.
- School closes at 2pm for Christmas. Have a lovely break.

Reading and fluency

During Year 2 our aim is for all children to be accessing the free readers scheme by Christmas. This allows your child to pick a book of their choice. Our aim is to read with your child twice a week and if you would like a new book in the week please let Miss Shepherd or myself know and we will get this arranged for you. During Year 2 pupils also read every day as a class using our fluency book. This half term we are reading 'Flat Stanley' and 'The Tunnel'. During these reading lessons children learn new vocabulary, develop their fluency with an age appropriate text and learn how to read with expression (prosody). If you have any questions regarding your child's reading then please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Physical Education

Just a quick reminder about PE kits. PE this half term will usually take place on Monday and Tuesday. Pupils will need to bring to school a smart PE kit consisting of: a white polo top, black or blue shorts and a pair of correctly fitting pumps, children may wear a plain black or blue (not logoed) tracksuit over their kit if the weather is cold. Please ensure all your child's kit, including their pumps, have their first and second name clearly written in. PE days can change due to unforeseen circumstances so we recommend bringing the kit on a Monday and taking home for washing each Friday.

Forgiveness

Our Christian Value this half term is Forgiveness. During Collective Worship we will be exploring this value more linking it to a range of texts. In class we will be talking about the importance of forgiving one another but also how this can be difficult at times.