

Our Topic Next Term

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Into the blue

This topic is based on Pirates and how they lived. We will be using a range of texts to explore this topic, which include "Pirates Love Underpants". The texts will act as stimuli to spark the interests of the children and allow them to learn through all areas of the curriculum.

Talk for Writing

This half term our Talk 4 Writing has been based on The Christmas Story. We have learnt the story off by heart with actions to help us, and have had a go at using our own story maps to retell our own versions of the story.



Maths

In school we have been playing number games to help us to count accurately and recognise numbers. We have been learning about 2D and 3D shapes as well as making patterns. The children have recently been learning about addition and subtraction. We also enjoy our weekly estimation station challenges.

Books to Read

The Christmas Story - can your child retell this story?

Stickman

Dear Father

Christmas

The Jolly Christmas

Postman



Links



www.phonicsplay.co.uk

phase 2 games help to support and extend the children's reading skills.

www.topmarks.co.uk lots of number recognition and counting games.

www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies many games to develop maths and literacy skills e.g. Alphablocks and Number Jacks.

What's On

Beauty and the Beast

Southport Theatre

14 - 30th December

The Atkinson

Dear Santa, Based on Rod Campbell's children's book.

12 - 14th December

Dear Zoo, the classic children's book brought to life by puppets!

19- 21 February '19



What have we been up to?

We have had lots of fun this half term getting ready for our Nativity Sing-A-Long which we are performing in St. Cuthbert's Church. We have enjoyed learning new songs, dressing up and acting out the story. We also look forward to our first school trip to Farmer Ted's, we are hoping to see Father Christmas in his Grotto and meet some real reindeers. How exciting!!

Scrapbooks

We would love to see some of your Christmas celebrations and activities during the holidays. Please add some photos so your children can share their news when we return to school. If you were unable to attend the EYFS workshop and need further guidance please speak to your child's teacher.

Helpful
Tips

Something to try at home

Encourage your child to write a thank you letter to Father Christmas. Break down words for them and see if they can identify some of the sounds they can hear.

Encourage your child to practise writing their full name, making sure they try hard to form all the letters correctly. As a challenge see if they can write their name from memory.

Don't forget to send reading books and diaries into school every day, but especially on a Monday and Thursday as these are our reading days.

Snack money reminder, we ask for a £1 a week donation, this contribution is greatly appreciated.

Reminder!

We wish all children
and parents in
Reception a Merry
Christmas and a Happy
New Year.

