



# Pangolin Class Newsletter

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We are already a few weeks in to a very busy half term. The weeks are going so quickly, we can't believe we are in December next week! We have been focusing on anti-bullying in class with the children being involved in circle times discussing what bullying is and how this could affect us online. We loved our own clothes day for Children in Need, thank you all for your support towards this wonderful cause.

The children are busy practising their nativity in class. Information about tickets will follow shortly.

## English

The children have been writing their own version of the narrative The Dragon Machine. They are learning how to structure their stories with a beginning, middle and end.

## Maths

In Maths, we are learning how to count in equal groups and using this knowledge to support us in learning the 2, 5, 10 and 3 times tables.

## Science

In Science, we are looking at Space. The children have been learning about the planets in space and are able to name these and describe them.

## History

Our topic this half term is Travel and Transport. We have looked at how the development of the car has benefitted people.

## PSHE

In PSHE, the children are looking at their topic Celebrating Difference. We have been focusing on the term bullying and what this means. We are thinking about how we can help ourselves and others in different scenarios.

## Art

For our Art this half term, we will be looking at the artist Antoni Gaudi. We have completed our artist research and are now practising some skills such as mosaic and using resources such as string to make effects of nature.

## RE

In RE, the children are learning about Christmas and Hanukkah. The children enjoyed Inter Faith week where they learnt about the importance of the Menorah to the Jewish faith.

## Music

In Music, we are beginning to prepare for Christmas! The children will be learning Christmas songs and preparing for their nativity.

## PE

We have begun our dance unit The Ugly Bug Ball. The children have been thinking about the different positions, speed and shape of their movements.

## News

### Daily Reading at home

Please spend 10 minutes reading with your child, and record this in their reading records, it helps them to become confident and fluent readers who can move through the Read, Write Inc scheme and then become Free Readers who can choose their own reading books. Please speak to staff in class if you require any further support with your child's reading.

### Stars of the Week

Congratulations to Emilia D and Stefanos for being our stars of the week for the last 2 weeks!

### maths.co.uk

You should have received your letters with login details for maths.co.uk. Tests will be set weekly for pupils based on their learning in class as consolidation homework to support them further in their learning and to allow parents to gain an insight into their child's maths learning. Please support your child with this at home. Any gaps in learning will allow us to tailor our teaching to support children further in school.

Please speak to your child's class teacher if you need any further help.

### Mission Christmas!

Our Year 4 children are leading us on supporting Mission Christmas this year! If you are able to donate a new toy for the appeal please pass to class teachers. Many thanks for your support towards this wonderful cause.

**Dates for your diary**

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Jumper Day

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December/Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December** – Year 2 Nativity

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**Thank you for your continued support**  
**Mrs Simpson and Mrs Askew**