



Jaguar Class Newsletter

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Hello everyone, I hope you are all well and beginning to feel the excitement of the Christmas season. The children have been working incredibly hard over the past few weeks on their Christmas Carol concert, and we truly can't wait for you to see all the wonderful things they have been preparing. They have shown such enthusiasm, creativity, and confidence, and we are so proud of their efforts. Alongside all the festive fun, the children have also been making fantastic academic progress. It has been wonderful to see how much they have grown since the beginning of the year, both in their learning and in their maturity. They have really settled into Year 1 and are becoming more independent, curious, and eager to take on new challenges each day.

Thank you for your continued support, particularly in ensuring that the children arrive at school punctually during these cold winter mornings. Your efforts are very much appreciated and help the children begin their day settled, prepared, and ready to learn. We are looking forward to celebrating this special time of year with you all and sharing the children's hard work and achievements.

English

The children have been thoroughly enjoying our new class book, Billy and the Beast by Nadia Shireen. They have been fantastic at acting out a range of verbs, which has greatly supported their understanding when applying these skills in their writing. The children have also been learning that adding the suffix -ed to certain words indicates that the action took place in the past. All of this learning is helping to prepare them for their independent writing task next week.

Maths

In Maths, we are learning positions for example seeing who is first, second, third fourth and fifth in the line. We have been doing a look of practical activities to help the children understand this topic.

Science

In Science, we are learning about animals, including humans. We will be exploring the different types of animals, how different animals move and what they eat.

Geography

Our Geography topic for this half term is on countries and capital cities of the UK. The children will name and explore the 4 countries and their capital cities in the UK.

History

In history, our unit is on changes in living memory with a focus on chronology. The children are learning about how they have grown, what is in their local community and looking back what the shops were like in the past.

PSHE

In PSHE, we are enjoying the Jigsaw unit Celebrating differences. We have been learning about similarities and differences between ourselves and others and celebrating them.

RE

In RE, the children have been learning about Diwali the Hindu festival of light. The children have explored the story of Rama and Sita and about how light is an important feature of Diwali.

Computing

In computing, we are learning how to use paint tools to draw pictures and to create our own digital games such as jigsaws.

DT

In DT, the children are exploring sliders and levers to make Christmas cards.

Music

In Music, we will be completing the unit, Rhythm In The Way We Walk and Banana Rap. Focusing on listening and appraising songs and clapping the rhythms.

PE

In PE, the children are learning about fitness and understanding how exercise can make you healthy and strong. In gymnastics, the children are using different body parts and use of high and low levels to travel.

News

Christmas carol concert

Last week, letters were Christmas carol concert letters if you have not already done so, could these be given to the class teacher with the preferred date/s. Any questions please contact your child's class teacher.

Tuck Shop Friday

We are excited to announce we are launching a tuck shop in school on Friday. One treat is priced at 50p. All monies raised will go back to the children through resources, contributions to trips and other exciting opportunities. Tuck shop will still be on this Friday.

Daily Reading at home

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

Uniform

Please ensure your child's uniform is labelled clearly with their name. This will really support staff in returning any lost uniform.

Healthy eating

As we are a healthy eating school, a gentle reminder to please provide your child with healthy choices for their snack/ lunch options e.g. fruit, veggie sticks and cereal bars etc.

Birthdays

We kindly ask that if you wish to celebrate your child's birthday at school, please send only small individually wrapped sweets/ chocolate instead of a birthday cake. This helps us keep celebrations simple and fair for all children.

Water Bottles

Please ensure your child has a water bottle with them in school each day.

PE

Year 1 PE days are on Wednesday and Friday, please ensure your child arrives to school in their PE kits on these days.