

As readers, we will continue to promote reading every day, Both inside and outside of school. We will continue to have daily spelling, punctuation or grammar sessions and we will have weekly guided reading sessions, reading Stig of the Dump. We have used the texts, The firework maker's daughter and Clockwork to inspire our writing.

As writers, we will be finding out about how Christmas is celebrated around the world and creating our own non-fiction text. We will be thinking about features of information texts and comparing information. We will also be practising our note taking skills. We will continue to work on our ability to self assess our writing and improve our work independently. Additionally, we will continue to develop our spelling, grammar and punctuation; while learning how to apply these to our work. As part of speaking and listening we will all have a part in the school play. We will need to learn our lines and say them with expression to a live audience.

As historians, we will look at the importance of Remembrance Day and marking the 100th anniversary of the end of WW1. We will listen to music from that time and read poetry about the experience of living during that time.

Christmas around the World

Junior class



As mathematicians we will continue to work on our understanding of number and place value. We will apply our understanding of multiplication and division to solving word problems. We will practice our estimating and rounding skills. We will also be comparing fractions and decimals and using them for problem solving.



As musicians, we will learn new songs for our Christmas play. We will also listen to music by a range of musicians and discuss how it makes us feel. We will look at simple percussion instruments and see how they work.



Computing
We will use technology record our written work. We will alter fonts, in size as well as style.



Our work in RE will be focused on Christmas traditions. We will focus on a range of countries and find out how the Christians in each country celebrates Christmas. We will learn about customs as well as special foods that are eaten. We will also make our own Christmas promises.

In Italian, we will learn a range of greetings appropriate for meeting different people. The days of the week and numbers up to 20.

Games will continue to be the focus of our work with a PE coach. We will practice our team game skills by playing football and hockey. We will take part in the cross country run at Talkin Tarn.

As geographers, we will find out about different the different countries that we are learning about. We will be able to identify these countries on a map, starting by finding the continent that the country is in. We will also learn to recognise a few words from each country as well as what their flag looks like.



DT
We will create musical instruments by first looking at other instruments to help us design and create our own. We will use a range of materials to create Christmas decorations. We will research different ways of connecting materials and choose the most appropriate for our product. We will also prepare some tasty treats for Christmas, as well as making our own boxes to present them in. Finally, we will use other connecting techniques to create a Christmas card.



As scientists, we looked at states of matter, as we prepared stained glass biscuits and the effect of cooking.