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NEWSLETTER
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Autumn Term

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HEAD TEACHER'S HIGHLIGHTS

Dear parents

It was lovely to see so many of you at our Christmas Performance Shine Star Shine. I am sure you will agree that the children sang and acted out the nativity story delightfully. The costumes were wonderful, and the children really enjoyed performing. They also did some super writing about the story and performance. Well done everyone.

Thank you to Friends of School for organising the Christmas party for the children. They had a fabulous time with lots of dancing, eating and art activities going on. Thank you to everyone who were able to help, it makes a real difference to our school. Some of our helpers noticed how even the youngest of our children are now very much a class and able to listen and follow instructions, which we are also noticing in school.

The Elf is continuing to cause excitement and havoc, he is appealing to everyone's imagination. Just today he stole the red team tokens and hid them in a red rucksack! So red team had 0 team points on the team points board in assembly. Luckily, we found them, and we were able to count them. I am sure you will hear about this later!

We had a super film afternoon. The village hall was set up as a cinema and the children were treated to watching The Polar Express. Thank you to Dr J Bennett our Chair of Governors to organising this for us. They very much enjoyed this shared experience.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

Jenny Griffiths



Just look what our naughty elf has been up to this week.



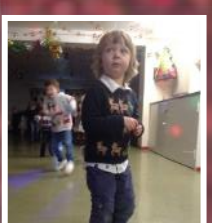
CAN YOU GUESS WHO IS HIDING BEHIND THE BALLOON?

CHRISTMAS PLAY

Shine Star Shine



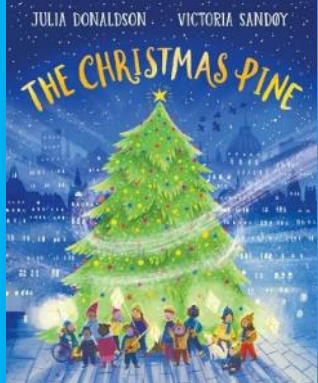
Christmas Party





Class 1

Well, it has been all things Christmas this week in Class One! We were so incredibly proud of the children after their fantastic Christmas performance on Tuesday, thank you so much to everyone who came to watch! It really was lovely to see all our lovely stars shine!



Our focus text this week has been 'The Christmas Pine' by Julia Donaldson. We love Julia Donaldson books in Class One and we noticed she always uses rhyming words in her books. Year 1 children had a go at writing their own rhyming couplets in the style of Julia Donaldson, they were fantastic!



In phonics, Reception have learned the sounds ff, ss and ll.



Reception have done lots of Christmassy maths this week! They particularly enjoyed sorting the Christmas stockings into the correct order after the cheeky elves muddled them up!



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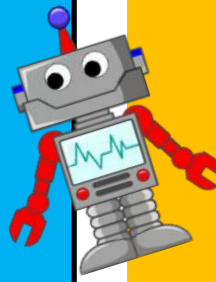


What is missing from this bar model?
How do you know?
Prove it!

6	
	2

Which equation matches the picture?

$3 + 3 = 6$	$8 = 4 + 3$
$5 = 4 + 1$	$4 + 3 = 7$



Have a lovely weekend and we will see you next week!



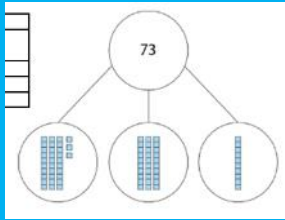
STAR OF THE WEEK

Rewarded for being a kind friend.

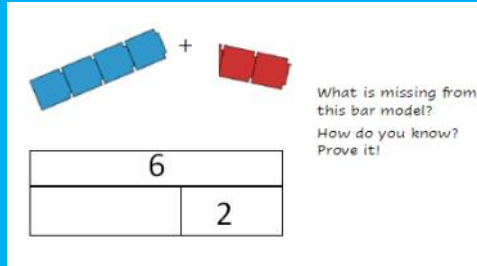
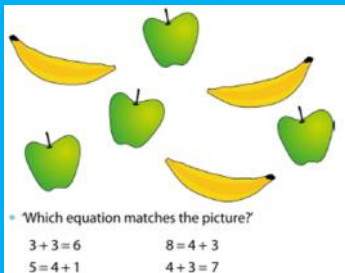


Class 2

The children have really sparked in their Christmas Play this year! The stars shone, even the big star! The angels appeared, the shepherds hurried to Bethlehem, the Kings were on a long journey and finally the stars led the big star to the stable where a very special baby lay. A big well done to everyone and especially the narrators who told the story so beautifully.



In maths the year 2 children have been using dienes to explore two-digit numbers. They have even partitioned the numbers into three parts. How would partition 63? Can you partition it equally, so there is the same amount in each part?



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In English the children have written to one of the characters, the Queen, because she wanted to take Emily's rabbit, Stanley. The children were not happy about this because they knew how important Stanley was. Have you got a special toy?



Rewarded for being kind, caring and considerate.

STAR OF THE WEEK

Important Dates

Wednesday 20th December —Christmas Lunch in school.

Wednesday 20th December—come to school in your Christmas Jumper

Friday 22nd December—Last day of term.

8th January 2024—First Day of Spring Term

OUT OF SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations on your swimming awards.



THIS WEEKS WINNING TEAM IS

RED TEAM



SCHOOL ADMISSIONS

The online admissions application process is now available at www.telford.gov.uk/admissions.

The following deadlines apply this year:

- Applying for Reception Year school places to start in September 2024 (starting school for the first time) - **closing date 15 January 2024**
- Applying for Infant to Junior school (Year 2 into Year 3) places to start in September 2024 (current Year 2 pupils) - **closing date 15 January 2024**
- If a child has an Education, Health & Care Plan the closing date is 31st October 2023 for all applications.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

We would like to offer children the opportunity to give and receive Christmas cards from friends if they would like to. We have a red post box in school so that the children can put their cards straight in to it. The deadline for putting cards in the box will be **Wednesday 20th December**. Thank you



Celebrating Success

REWARDS OF THE WEEK

Well done to all the children that received an award for Marvellous Mathematician, Wonderful Writer, Hand Writer of the week, Reader of the Week or Breakfast Club Superstar. Keep up the hard work.



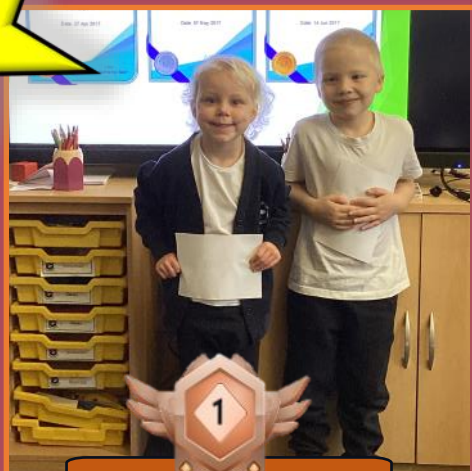
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Class 2

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Mathletics



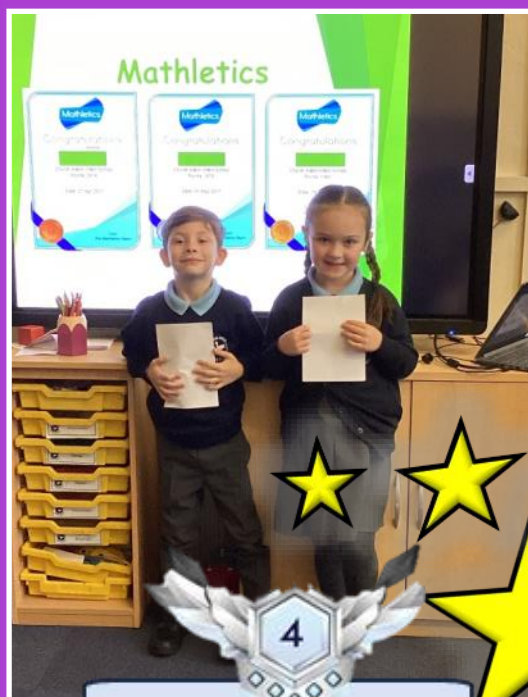
BRONZE



SILVER



GOLD



PLATINUM