



Lowther Primary School

Year 2 News

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Year 2 Learning This Half-Term



Our Nativity cast 2013

A HUGE thank you to everyone for helping your children make this year's Nativity production one of the best yet! The children performed 4 times this year (one more than last year) and got enormous praise from everyone who saw it. You could tell that the children had practised their lines and songs at home and it made all the difference.

Next term we look at multiplication and division in maths (grouping and sharing) and we will be continuing to look at traditional tales in Literacy before moving on to explanation texts. In Science we look at electricity (our favourite!) and in History we learn about Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole. In PE, we continue games and begin to practise our much anticipated Penguin Dance (it's going to be a good one this year). Spring term is the term where we usually see the children taking big learning steps.

100% ATTENDANCE WEEK is on wc 13th January. Elm Class are the current Cool Cats with the best attendance last week and Maple Class were a close second, on the week of Nativity. It would be great to keep this going into the New Year. Please remember, lateness counts against our attendance record, so please be at school for 8.55am, so the children can be ready to begin learning at 9.00am.

Happy Birthday to...
Kit, Jadine, Madison, Macey, Henry and Fien in Elm Class and
Mischa, Cameron and Aimee in Maple Class.

General notices

Homework: Yes, we are being Ebenezer Scrooge and giving out homework over the holidays. Remember, homework in KS1 is not compulsory but will help your child practise their learning independently. Please continue to practise their times tables and read regularly with your child.

PE: PE sessions will begin as soon as we return, so please remember to bring in PE kits on Tuesday 7th January, and thereafter every Monday, to be taken home for washing every Friday (if needed).

Parents Maths Workshop: this is being planned for late January/early February. Apologies for this not happening sooner. I'm sure you will appreciate that Autumn 2 is a very busy half term for Year 2. If you have any particular areas of maths where you feel you would like to learn more about the strategies we teach the children, please let your class teacher know. Response slips will be circulated in the New Year for this purpose.

National Army Museum Trip: our next trip off-site will be to the National Army Museum in Chelsea which is always a revelation to the children. During this trip, we enjoy an interactive workshop on Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole. We will be getting a coach to the Museum, but if you can help chaperone the children on the day please let your child's class teacher know.

Have a wonderful Christmas and New Year break, Judy Puddephatt & Emily Treble

Dates for your diary

Thursday 19th Dec	Last day of Autumn term
Mon 6th Jan 2014	INSET Day— children not in school
Tues 7th Jan 2014	Children's first day back
WC 13th Jan 2014	100% Attendance Week
Thur 23rd Jan	Year 2 to National Army Museum
Fri 24th Jan	Lowther's Got Talent auditions
Fri 31st Jan	Lowther's Got Talent final

Little donkey, little donkey on a dusty road....

Joke of the week

Why did the dinosaur cross the road?

He didn't, he's extinct!

From Charlie,
Maple Class