

Year 2



Dear Parents and Carers,

With a bit of help from the colder weather, we started to feel Christmassy this week! Socially distanced rehearsals of our chosen songs for the Christmas productions have begun and, thanks to the PSA, the children really enjoyed making a festive decoration for the tree. These will be sent home before the end of term.

English

This week we have been looking at the key features of non-fiction information texts including headings, sub-headings, captions and fact boxes. The children then used this knowledge, to write facts sheets about orangutans, including their appearance, habitat and diet. Next week, the children are going to write a fact sheet about a polar animal.

Maths

This week we have focussed on the 10 times table and the key mathematical vocabulary for multiplication. For example in this number sentence - $5 \times 3 = 15$ - the factors are 5 and 3 and the product is 15.

Foundation Subjects

We started to look in more depth at the Antarctic in our topic lessons this week and found out more about the landscape, climate and the animals and plants that survive there. In science we have moved on to investigating life cycles and the children produced their own versions of the Adelie penguin's life cycle.

Notices & Reminders

Please can you help your child to research a few key facts about one of the following polar animals - **a penguin, an arctic fox, a polar bear or an orca whale**. Can they describe its appearance? What is the natural habitat like? What does it eat? Can they find an unusual fact? The children should bring this information into school by Tuesday 1st December.

Values Award

Bracken - Lucille & Heeyoona; **Clover** - Ennis & Maria O; **Heather** - Athena & Fraser

Diamond Work Award

Bracken - Hakeem & Sophia; **Clover** - Oliver & Mariah H; **Heather** - Gabriel & Omar
