# All about my school half term.

Y1/Y2-Autumn Term 2-2023



This term we are focusing our English work around the book the Polar Express.

We will write a short narrative about receiving the first gift of Christmas.

We also have some shorter units:

We will explore free verse poetry.

Writing a letter to Father Christmas.

Writing room- this is an immersive experience where children will recount what they have seen. This term is based on "the Grinch who stole Christmas"

#### **Mathematics**

In maths we are all continuing with addition and subtraction.

Y2 will then go onto exploring money (measurement) for the rest of the term. This will include counting coins and notes. We will also look at calculating change given.

YI have a mixture of topics this half term. We will look again at place value (0-20). Next, we will explore money (measurement). Finally, we will go back to place value again to ensure we have a deep understanding of numbers!

# Phonics

In phonics we have been reassessed. We have made so much progress! Your child's reading book will match the sounds that they have learnt and are secure in. We will send a new book home each week on a Friday. Please support your child by reading at home at least three times a week and recording this in their planner (we have a weekly raffle for those who are able to read 3 times at home!). Planners must be brought to school every day in your child's book baa.

# SCIENCE

Identifying animals

We are going to explore how we can classify different animals. We will collect evidence, hypothesize and investigate the animal kingdom.

#### Handwriting and letter formation

It is very important children learn to hold a pencil, sit correctly and form all their letters correctly. We will practice this in short daily hursts.

## PE

We have PE every Monday. In PE we are working on gymnastics. We will explore a range of maneuvers and balances. We will work individually and in groups



### **RSHE**

This term we will cover concepts such as; Who is my friend? How do I help my body stay healthy?

#### RE

We are learning about how and why we celebrate special and scared times. We will have a focus on Christmas. We hope to immerse ourselves in the nativity story in the run up to Christmas.

#### History

#### "changes beyond living memory"

This half term we will be introduced to the concept of remembrance day. We will understand that there are events in history beyond living memory that are significant nationally and globally.

## D&T

#### Structures

This half term we are looking at structures. More specifically free standing structures. We are excited to learn all about who needs structures, why are structures important and what structures we can create ourselves!

#### Computing

#### Digital painting

Now we have familiarized ourselves with technology we will continue to become digital pros! This half term we will explore digital painting. We can't wait to start developing skills to become digital artists!