



Class Newsletter

Autumn Term – 04/12/2020



This Week

This week, in **English**, we continued thinking about Explanation texts. We focussed on explaining how magnets work. We built up over the week and published our own text to finish the unit. In **Maths**, we have been identifying and classifying 2D shapes. We have used symmetry, lines, the angles a shape has, and whether it is regular or not, to classify them using Venn Diagrams and Carroll Diagrams.

In **RE**, we explored the Advent tradition of celebrating Christingle. We identified the different elements of the Christingle and what they represent. We also discussed why we need a festival of light in 2020 more than ever. In **Science**, we planned, set up, and carried out a fair test investigating strength of different magnets. In **History**, we explored the creation and significance of the Stonehenge monument. We then made our own edible version using bourbons, custard creams and royal icing.

Christmas Around the World

This year, we are celebrating how Christmas is marked around the world. Each class has selected a country to explore. In class 4, we are going to investigate how **Mexico** celebrates Christmas. Look out for the celebration video on the website in the final week of term.

Christmas Party!

Our party day this year coincides with the KS2 Christmas Dinner: **Wednesday 16th December**. Children may come dressed in age-appropriate party attire or in festive jumpers. Unfortunately, we can't join in with the other KS2 classes as usual but I have lots of fun games and challenges for the children to enjoy.

Stars of the Week

The **CHRISTIAN VALUE** award for **JOY** goes to **Ruby**. She has a joyful attitude to life and it shines through.

The **CURRICULUM** award goes to **Sienna** and **Amelia** for an outstanding explanation text.

Courageous Advocate

This week, we learned about **CS Lewis**, the author of the Narnia Chronicles.

What do the different characters represent? How did he allegorise the Christian faith?

Home Reading Heroes

Huge congratulations to **Amelia, Emmanuel, Erin (who are flying through books week by week), Faye, Isaac P, Jackson, Jessica, Kayla, Lucas, Lucy, Mia M, Mia W, Olivia and Sienna**. They have read every day this week (whether their school-book or one of their choice), they have recorded it in their reading record, and they have brought their reading record into school so we can see their progress.

Have a fun and safe weekend. See you Monday.
Mr Bateman

d.bateman@leacofe.lancs.sch.uk