



Autumn Term  
**fun care safe respect learn**

## HEAD TEACHER'S HIGHLIGHTS

Dear parents

The children have had a great week with lots of reading taking place. I was pleased to hear quite a few of Reception read their blending books. It is wonderful to hear them blending with such confidence. We always say keep reading each day, that little but often approach works so well for young children. They are very proud to show off their skills, I hope you are enjoying seeing their progress.



We were lucky enough to have a visit from Pete White a local author who has written some very inspiring books, all with thought provoking messages regarding overcoming emotions and difficulties. Some great titles including a few he read to the children. For example, The Anxious Knight

The children were very excited to meet a real author and it inspired them to think about a story they would write about overcoming something. They came up with some great characters and designed some super front covers for their stories. We are sending some across to Pete, one of them may inspire him to write Book 8, you never know.

His latest book based on Trauma will be out in a few weeks' time, we shall let you know when.

Please see the link for his website below.

A big thank you to Pete for taking the time and coming in to share his books, ideas and inspiration with the children and staff, a very motivating session for all.

Have a relaxing weekend.

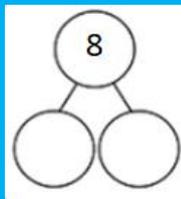
Best wishes



# Class 1

Another lovely week has flown by! We have continued our learning about Traction Man this week. In the book, Traction Man is given a new knitted outfit for Christmas which he isn't too keen on! So, we decided to design new, cool outfits for him to go on exciting missions in! We were blown away by the children's imaginations! In phonics reception have recapped the sounds f, e, l, h and sh.

In maths reception children have been thinking about the words 'part' and 'whole.' They know that some things have parts that can't be moved, like our bodies! We say 'my head is a part of me, the whole of me is .....

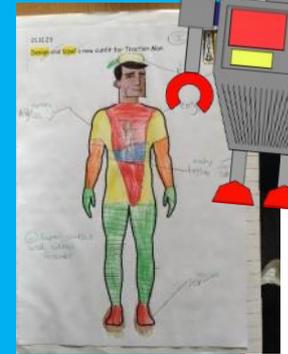


The year 1 children have been securing their knowledge of odd and even numbers and exploring what happens if we partition an even number or an odd number. Have a go and see what you find out!

In our history lessons we are learning about the history of toys. Thank you to you all for bringing in your toy family trees; they have been really interesting and nostalgic!

In DT we received a very exciting letter from Father Christmas and his elves! He has asked us to design and make a small toy to help the elves out! The children have created some fantastic designs, we think Father Christmas and the elves are going to be very impressed!

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



**STAR OF THE WEEK**

**Rewarded for trying his best in all his lessons.**

# Class 2

The children in Class 2 are very excited about their Design and Technology project as they received a very important letter this week! I am looking forward to seeing what they design and create over the following weeks! We have also started working on the Christmas Play and have sent costume letters out. We will have our box of costumes in school, ready for you to look through on Monday if you need anything.



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Dear Children,

Hi there! Father Christmas and the elves here! We hope this letter finds you well. We are very busy here at the North Pole making all the toys for the children around the world. We are writing to you today to ask you for some help. We would like you all to design a new toy. The design brief is outlined below:

**Design Brief**

What will the design be?  
A small toy

Who will the toy be for?  
A 5-year-old child

When will the toy need to be ready by?  
18<sup>th</sup> December 2023



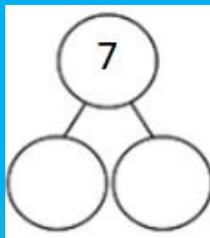
We really hope you can help us! Have fun designing and building a new toy. Remember to stick to the design brief!

Thank you, children,

Father Christmas



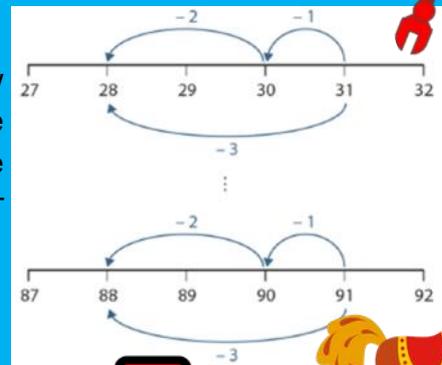
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The year 2 group have been subtracting on a number line and looking at how we can count back to a multiple of ten, then use our bond knowledge and record it on a number line.

I am so proud of how all the children are working in the classroom, in all our lessons.

Well done everyone!



**STAR OF THE WEEK**

**Rewarded for working hard and being a wonderful role model.**

Poster and form are in the Newsletter e-mail. Please complete the form no later than 6th December.

# Important Dates

- Monday 27th November— Dental talk for Reception
- Wednesday 6th December - Open Morning (September 2024 starters)
- Tuesday 12th December - Christmas Performance 2pm St Andrew's Church
- Thursday 14th December - Friends of School Children's Christmas Party 3-5pm Village Hall RSVP's to be returned by 6th December.
- Wednesday 20th December —Christmas Lunch in School
- Friday 22nd December—Last day of term.
- 8th January 2024—First Day of Spring Term



**Christmas Party Time**  
Thursday 14th December  
3-5pm  
at Church Aston Church Hall

The children are invited to get their grooves on at our annual Christmas party for a fun packed evening.

Friends of school will be providing a DJ so the children can bust their best dance moves, sparkle away with glitter tattoos and food provided will be delicious sandwich and sweet treats selection.

Please send children into school wearing their party outfits. They will be walked over to the Church Hall ready to be collected at 5pm from Church Aston Church Hall.

**£5.00**  
contribution in cash or alternatively pay via Paypal  
Friends and family contact: [foaschool@gmail.com](mailto:foaschool@gmail.com)

Christmas Party RSVP Slip

**THIS WEEKS WINNING TEAM IS**

# BLUE TEAM



## SCHOOL ADMISSIONS

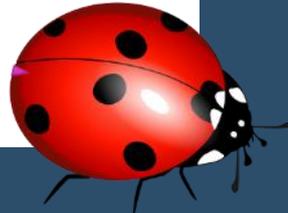
The online admissions application process is now available at [www.telford.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.telford.gov.uk/admissions).

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



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**



# *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.**



**Class 1**



**Class 2**

# New Mathletics points system

Please be aware the Mathletics points system has changed. You now move up through the levels as detailed below, this looks very exciting and rewards children for their efforts.

*Will you become a Mathletics Legend?*

Mathletics

Mathletics Reward System

## Are you a super Mathlete?

★ ★ **1000 POINTS**  
★ a week earns you a certificate.

	Bronze	 5 BRONZE LEVELS			
	Silver	 5 SILVER LEVELS			
	Gold	 5 GOLD LEVELS			
	Platinum	 5 PLATINUM LEVELS			
	Emerald	 5 EMERALD LEVELS			
	Diamond	 5 DIAMOND LEVELS			
	Epic	 5 EPIC LEVELS			
	Legend	 5 LEGEND LEVELS			

**★ Points**

Earn maximum points by completing curriculum activities.

**◆ Achievement Levels**

There are **5 certificates** in each level. Each new certificate earns you a gem.

**🦋 Legend**

**36 weeks** of consistent work earns you Legend status!

## How to earn points

### Curriculum content

1 x correct answer = 10 points

1 x correct test answer = 20 points

### Live Mathletics

1 x correct answer = 1 point

1 x correct bonus level answer = 2 points

### Bonus

Level up or complete a

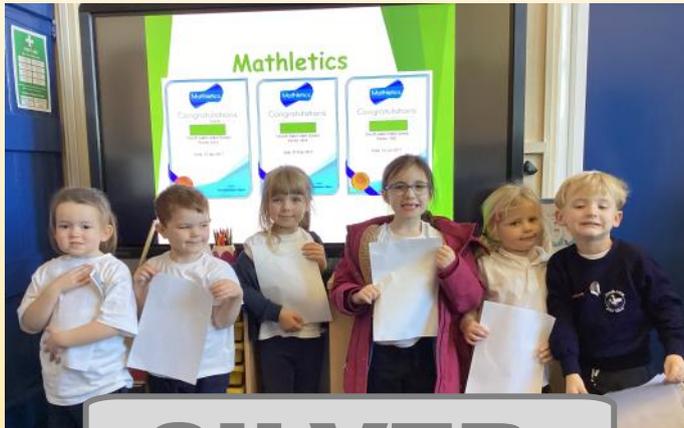
Quest = 50 points

# Celebrating Success

## MATHLETICS



**BRONZE**



**SILVER**



**GOLD**