

Hawkingstone Class Year 2



We have a lot of exciting things happening this half term. As well as learning about the North and South Pole, we will be looking at famous explorers and different habitats. We will be writing letters and non chronological reports. In maths we will be learning about money and how to add and subtract using different methods. From the 3rd of November, we will be starting our Christmas unit, entitled 'A Gift For the world', answering the question 'Why does Christmas matter to Christians?' We will also be looking at the story 'The Polar Express'. In Diversity week we will be looking at the stories 'Princess Smarty Pants' and 'Stand tall Molly Lou Mellon'. Through these books we will be celebrating our differences and what makes us unique.



I want to take this opportunity to welcome Mr Ali to Year 2. You may have seen him around as he joined us before the October half term. Mr Ali is a student doing his teacher training and will be with us for most of the year.

Children
in Need
13/11/2020



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to school dressed
in their pyjamas or
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If there's anything urgent to discuss then please see me at dropping off point or collection. If you have any concerns and would like to arrange a phone call then I will happily do that. You can also contact me by my school email which is mrsbrown@oxenhope.bradford.sch.uk
Christmas events will be given to you at a later date.



Key things to remember this half term:

PE

PE day is on Thursday. The children are to come to school in their PE kits. Because of the colder weather, please can the children come in black, grey or navy tracksuit bottoms, a white PE t-shirt and an appropriate jumper. They will be doing gymnastics this half term

Outdoor Learning

We go outside on Monday afternoon so please make sure they have appropriate footwear and a waterproof coat.

Reading and homework

Every Friday the children will bring home a reading book, along with their homework book. Athletics and TT Rockstars log ins will also be handed out this half term. They are to practice their spellings and complete a task from the homework ideas sheet. Please hand in the homework every Thursday so we can hand them out again on Friday with a new book and new homework. They will also be bringing home a phonics book with real and alien words home. Please practice these with your children every night.

Assessment Week

The week beginning the 16th November, as a school we will be assessing the children's gaps and seeing the progress they have made last half term.

Diversity week

We will be learning about what makes us who we are, celebrating differences and identifying what makes us unique and special. We will be doing this during assessment week (week beginning the 16th November)

Phonics Screening Test

Due to the missed teaching last academic year, the Phonics Screening Test, which normally takes place in Year 1, will now take place in Year 2, on the week beginning the 7th December. We will not make a big fuss and the children will be unaware that the test is taking place and will think it is ongoing assessment.