

22nd November 2024

The time really is flying by and we have now moved into the most exciting time of the year for your children! It was so lovely to see most of you this week at our parents' evenings — a lovely opportunity to meet some of you for the first time! Thank you so much for your kind comments. The children certainly should feel proud of themselves and they really enjoyed reading the lovely feedback that you wrote for them.

We have been as busy as ever just lately. The children really enjoyed the Children in Need non-uniform day last Friday, lots of Pudsey outfits, spots, stripes and sports kits were on show and all for a good cause. Our Christmas cards to raise money for the PTFA are now complete and I think you will be pleased with your child's efforts — they all worked very hard to produce a wonderful, festive design. These will be available to view online — please see the leaflet the children brought home yesterday. On Tuesday, we were treated to an exciting assembly all about our teeth. Cazzie, the author of the book "The Rotters" shared a really important message about keeping our teeth clean and we all learnt about the bacteria in our mouth. It's a fantastic story and reminds us why we need to look after our teeth.

We have been very busy preparing for our Nativity 'Lights, Camel, Action' this week. We have been practising the lines and songs at song. It is very important that the children practise these at home too. We will have a dress rehearsal for Key Stage 2, so that our children can experience a live audience. School will be providing most of the costumes. We will contact you by letter if anything may be needed from home.

By now, you will have received initial information about our overnight residential visit to Beaumanor Hall, next March. We hope to be able to take all of our Year 2 children as the visit always proves to be a very valuable learning experience in so many ways.

Maths: We are continuing to work on a range of activities involving place value problems, along with regular practice of mental recall. We have been comparing numbers, understanding tens and ones, and ordering them. I am so pleased with their understanding and their independent work.

English: We are thoroughly enjoying our new story, The Magic Porridge Pot. This week we have been working together to write our own slightly different version of the story. The children have worked hard to ensure they have used a wide range of vocabulary, including similies.

Amelia had a super week with Marshmallow, she shared photos of Marshmallow's adventures including him at Wagamama's, I-Jump and attending Rainbows. The children enjoyed asking Amelia questions and she revealed he fell out of her bed once which made the children smile Thank you for sharing!

Kayley's week with Marshmallow. Marshmallow joined in a birthday party with Kayley's dad's friends. She said Marshmallow nearly ate the cake! After school on Thursday, Kayley took Marshmallow to dancing, he enjoyed tap! At dinner time they ate rice, lettuce and meat. She also practised maths with him! Thanks for sharing!

Reception and Key Stage 1 Nativity: Wednesday 11th December Pantomime at Newark Theatre: Friday 13th December Christmas Dinner: Tuesday 17th December.

Have a great weekend!

Mrs Williams and Mrs Lewis