



Year 1 News Friday 12th December 2025

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Notice board:

Christmas Nativity: Thank you to all those who were able to join us for the shows and a huge well done to the children who joined in and shone like stars! The Year 1 team would like to say a very big thank you for all your help and support during this first term.

Show and Tell:

Please note there will be **no show and tell next week** as we will be taking part in Christmas activities. This will resume during the second week after the Christmas break for our new topic 'Bright Lights, Big City'.

13th January - Zog

20th January - Tiddler

27th January - Tabby McTat

3rd February - Stickman

10th February - Highway Rat

D&T project: Over the holidays we challenge you to work with your child to construct a 3D model of a London Landmark. Be as creative as you wish! Talk about the 2D and 3D shapes you build or can see. Describe the properties using words: faces, vertices and edges. Please send us a picture to our email address above and we will share these with the children. **Small** models can be sent into school during the first week back.

Memorable Experience: In January we will be having an afternoon tea to celebrate the beginning of our new topic. The children will enjoy preparing foods for the tea. You could practise spreading and cutting skills at home. The children will be allowed to dress in their best attire. A smart suit and bow tie, perhaps? Or a sparkly dress or a special outfit? (Please bring your outfit in a named carrier bag.)

The date of this will be confirmed via email before the end of term.

Maths

Next week we will continue developing our understanding of the order of days of the week and months of the year. We will review 2D shape names and their properties. The children will create and describe shape art. The children will then begin naming and describing properties of 3D shapes.

The children will also take part in some fun Christmas Maths where they will find out how best to order Santa's reindeers and how to pack Santa's gifts in the correct sacks.

English/Topic

Next week we will be taking part in some creative writing and Christmas activities alongside our RWI sessions.

After Christmas our Topic will be 'Bright Lights, Big City'. We will talk about what they already know about the City of London. We will also be thinking about what they would like to find out about the City of London.

In **Art**, we will continue developing our sketching skills.

In **Computing**, we will begin to look at the difference between physical books and e-books.

Home Learning

Talk Task: What do you know about London? Can you help your child to come up with a question or two about what they want to find out about the city of London? Encourage them to use one of the question words: how, what, why, when, where. Perhaps take a trip into London to see the sights.

Maths Task: Help your child to recap both 2D and 3D shapes that they have been learning about during maths. Perhaps whilst they are out and about during the Christmas holidays, they can spot different shapes within the local area. Can they describe the properties of these shapes using a range of mathematical language? **Maths vocabulary:** Faces, vertices, edges, curved/flat surface.

Reading Task: Please ensure you read with your child every night and record this in their reading record. Here are the links for special friends 'or' and word challenge 4:

<http://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/abscK5tF/GPGtQqYO>

<http://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/K4iO2KKe/rwzZsoOk>