


YEAR 2

GRAMMAR - 'Adrian Adverb' has been helping the children to learn that an adverb describes how a verb (action) is carried out
e.g. quickly/ gently/ daily/ weekly.

MATHS - Year 2 have used data to create pictograms, such as the favourite animals for the class. They have also used a tally to record totals.

e.g. 7 =  II

It has been decided that the Times Table Challenge will not begin until after Christmas as we need to improve their mental maths knowledge of number bonds to 20. The children have a daily Maths Challenge to answer as many additional questions as they can in 5 minutes.

e.g. $17 + 3 = \underline{\quad}$ or $17 + \underline{\quad} = 20$

HISTORY - Thank you to all the volunteers who joined us on our Remembrance walks and came back to the classroom afterwards. The children deepened their understanding of a cenotaph and enjoyed sharing the history activity afterwards.

Class	Number of Absences	Frequency
Year 1		7
Year 2		8
Year 3		5
Year 4		6
Year 5		11
Year 6		8
Total		7
For		3



Year 2 to Year 3 Admissions - Sept 2017 - The Year 3 Supplementary Information forms, Birth and Baptismal certificates, passport, and Catholic certificate forms need to be returned to St. Helen's Catholic Junior School Academy by Friday 16th December and not to the Infants School. Thank you

YEAR 1

ENGLISH - We have continued to look at story writing this week. We read, sequenced and then retold the story Man on the Moon by Simon Bartram. We then wrote a new version with our own ideas. We included time words in our writing.

e.g. first, then, next, after, finally

MATHS - This week we have looked at odd and even numbers, halves of numbers and counting in 2s. If you start on 0 and count in 2s you say all the even numbers but if you start on 1 you say all the odd numbers. Even numbers can be shared equally. Odd numbers always have an "odd one out". Try pairing an odd or even number of socks or sharing a group of toys to see if it's odd or even. Keep counting in 2s too!

We will be needing cardboard tubes soon. If you have any kitchen roll tubes or inside of wrapping paper tubes we would be really grateful if you bring them into school. Thank you



FOUNDATION STAGE

PHONICS: This week we have introduced the sounds **v, w, x** and **y**. Please practise writing them and recognising them in a variety of places eg. signs, books names.

PLEASE practise doing the zips up on the coats your child wears for school.

Winter Crafts sessions on the 29th, 30th November and 1st December between 2pm and 3pm. If you haven't already booked your place for the Winter Craft Session you can do so by the Parentmail system.



DIARY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2016 - 2017

29 Nov	Tue	2.00p.m – 3.00p.m	FS – Winter Craft	Foundation	Parents of FS children
30 Nov	Wed	2.00p.m – 3.00p.m	FS – Winter Craft	Foundation	Parents of FS children
1 Dec	Thurs	2.00p.m – 3.00p.m	FS – Winter Craft	Foundation	Parents of FS children
1 Dec	Thurs	3.30p.m – 3.45p.m	Book Look	All Years	Please make an appointment
2 Dec	Fri	9.00a.m	'Drop Off, Drop In'	All Years	All Parents/Grandparents Welcome
13 Dec	Tue	During School Day	Pantomime	Foundation Stage	At Brentwood Theatre
14 Dec	Wed	During School Day	Christmas Dinner	All Years	For Children Only
15 Dec	Thurs	During School Day	Pantomime	Year 1	At Brentwood Theatre
16 Dec	Fri	During School Day	Pantomime	Year 2	At Brentwood Theatre
16 Dec	Fri	2p.m	Christmas Nativity - Foundation Stage	Foundation Stage	Parents of Foundation Stage welcome
19 Dec	Mon	2p.m	Christmas Nativity - Year 1	Year 1	Parents of Year 1 welcome
20 Dec	Tue	2p.m	Christmas Nativity - Year 2	Year 2	Parents of Year 2 welcome
21 Dec	Wed	1.15p.m	Whole School Blessing SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 2 p.m.	All Years	All Welcome. <i>No coaches taking children home from the INFANT school on this day. All children MUST be collected by 2pm.</i>

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS - Thurs 22nd Dec to Thurs 5th Jan (inclusive)

SPRING TERM 2017

5 Jan	Thurs	All Day	INSET DAY	All Years	School Closed to Children
6 Jan	Fri	Open at 8.45a.m	Children Return to School	All Years	ALL YEARS
6 Jan	Fri	9.00am	'Drop Off, Drop In'	All Years	All Parents/Grandparents Welcome