

Dear Parents / Carers

Here is a brief outline of the work we shall be covering this coming week – we will be practicing our Nativities, too.

RE, English and Art

We will be starting our new topic 'Preparations'. This week the children will be exploring the gifts that they are given or that they give to others. They will think about these being a sign or expression of love. During the topic the children will prepare their hearts for the great gift of God's Son Jesus at Christmas.

Home learning: Can you talk about any presents or gifts that your child or another member of the family has received recently. Who gave it to them? Why? How did they feel to give or receive a gift?

English, Role Play, PSHE, ICT and History

We will be learning about the life of Mary Seacole and the work she did for the injured soldiers during the Crimean War.

We will be comparing and contrasting the work of Mary Seacole and Florence Nightingale



There is a Florence Nightingale museum at St. Thomas' Hospital in London. It was unfortunately fully booked for school parties, but you may be able to visit at a weekend, although it may be a little bit too realistic for very young children.

Home learning: The children need to start learning their parts and songs for the Christmas Nativities. If they are narrators, please help your child to practise reading loudly and slowly (they do not need to learn their lines by heart).

Mathematics

We will continue working on addition, adding 2-digit numbers to 2-digit numbers.

Home learning: If possible, log on to 'Topmarks', where there are lots of mathematical games to develop children's mental maths. For example, 'Alien Pairs to 10' will help consolidate bonds of 10, and 'Are you a Maths Magician' will sharpen speed maths.

Many thanks
The Year 2 Team.