

The Jolly Christmas Postman

Year 1 - Advent Term 2





This half term Year 1 will be reading the Jolly Christmas Postman. We will be learning about maps and how to follow routes.



We will be using our sorting skills to run the Jolly Post Office and deliver Christmas cards around school.



REP - Prophecy and Promise

Hear

- ✓ The Annunciation
- ✓ The Visitation
- ✓ The Birth of Jesus
- ✓ The Visit of the Shepherd

Celebrate

- ✓ We ask Mary to pray with us
- ✓ Hear and join in with the Hail Mary
- ✓ Hear and sing the first phrase of The Gloria

Believe

- ✓ God loves us and gave us his Son Jesus
- ✓ God called Mary to be the mother of his Son
- ✓ Mary said Yes to God's call
- ✓ Angels bring God's message
- ✓ The stories of Jesus are in a special book called The Bible

Live

- ✓ How Catholics around the world show honour to Mary
- ✓ How Christians in their local community celebrate the birth of Jesus

You could help your child by:

- ✓ Talking about the Christmas story and helping them to retell it.





Writing

- ✓ We will be looking at our address.
- ✓ We will be writing and sending a letter to Father Christmas.
- ✓ We will be writing instructions for other classes, explaining how to use the Jolly Post Service.
- ✓ We will be writing lists and captions for the Jolly Post Office.



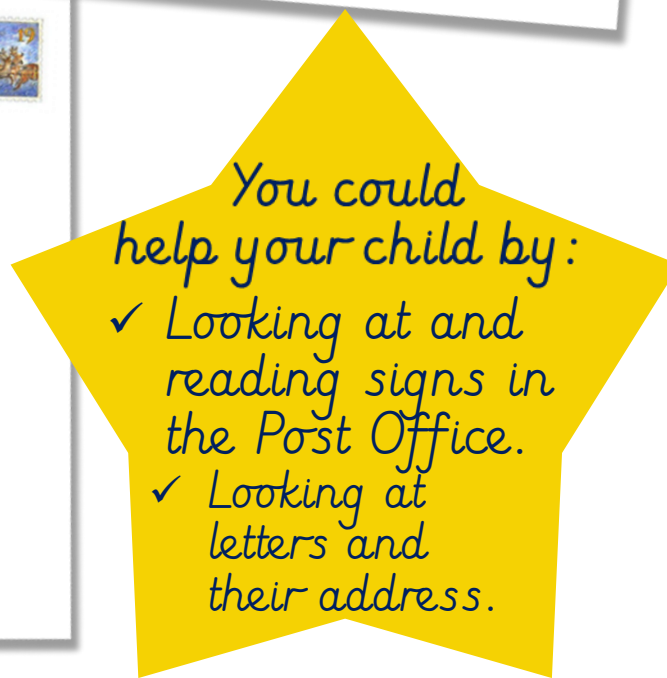
Speaking and Listening

- ✓ We will be thinking about and using words and phrases associated with the Post Office.
- ✓ We will be learning our song words for the Nativity.



Reading and Phonics

- ✓ We will be continuing with ReadWriteInc.
- ✓ We will be reading *The Jolly Christmas Postman*, by Janet and Allan Ahlberg.



You could help your child by:

- ✓ Looking at and reading signs in the Post Office.
- ✓ Looking at letters and their address.

Maths - ^{nest}Number

- ✓ We will be developing our knowledge of place value and our numbers to 20 and beyond.
- ✓ We will use number lines to add by counting on.
- ✓ We will use numbers lines to count back when taking away.
- ✓ We will try and use our knowledge of addition and subtraction to answer simple word problems.
- ✓ We will look at two numbers and decide which one is more or less.
- ✓ We will be looking at what is 1 more or 1 less than a given number.



Topic Maths

- ✓ We will be sorting shapes.
- ✓ We will be weighing parcels.
- ✓ We will be doing stamp investigations.



Shape, Space and Measures

- ✓ We will be looking at 2D and 3D shapes, describing them and talking about their properties.



You could help your child by:

- ✓ Practice counting in 2s, 5s, and 10s.
- ✓ Reading and recognising numbers to 100.



Science

- ✓ We will be looking at the season of Autumn as it turns into Winter.
- ✓ We will be looking at how some animals migrate or hibernate.
- ✓ We will consider appropriate clothing for the season.



Computing

- ✓ We will be using 'Paint' to create Winter images.

You could help your child by:

- ✓ Talking about the changing season and identify what they can see and hear around them.

Geography

- ✓ We will be looking at maps, starting with a bird's eye view of the classroom.
- ✓ We will use a map of the school to locate places and create a key.
- ✓ We will create a map of the Jolly Postman's journey.
- ✓ We will use maps to find our way round school.



Art

- ✓ We will be making Christmas decorations and seasonal calendars.



- You could help your child by:
- ✓ Talk about where they live and their journey to school.



✓ We will be developing our fundamental movement skills.



✓ We will be learning and practicing our songs for the Nativity.




You could help your child by:

✓ Helping them to learn and practice their songs.





 Date for the diary:
Years 1 and 2 Nativity - Thursday 12th
December - 10am and 2pm.



 Useful websites:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1PSBQJBkpEY>

 Things to remember!

