

Dear Parents,

This week in English we have continued to answer comprehension questions based on our book 'The Bear and Piano'. We have also been comparing different texts, exploring alliteration and learning about onomatopoeia.

Some children will begin to use **Accelerated Reader** in the coming weeks and especially after the Christmas break. **Accelerated Reader** is a computer-based program that schools use to monitor reading practice and progress. Children choose a book and can keep that book for as long as it takes to read it thoroughly. There is no expectation to change books on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday like the coloured band books. Once the book has been read, the children take short quizzes on the computer at school to check their understanding. **Children do not complete these quizzes at home.** It is really important your child does not rush to complete the quiz without a solid understanding of the book. Your class teacher will notify you if your child has moved onto the accelerated reader scheme by writing in the reading record or communicating verbally with you

This week in maths we have continued to focus on the inverse relationship between addition and subtraction methods. For example:

$$10 + 2 = 12$$

$$2 + 10 = 12$$

$$12 - 10 = 2$$

$$12 - 2 = 10$$

Reminder Dates:

- **Thursday 28th November Book Fair arrives in the school library (Y2 Oak will leave via the door under the new covered area for 1 week only)**
- **Tuesday 3rd December Y2 & Y5 Mass in Church**
- **Monday 9th December KS1 Christmas performance 2.00pm**
- **Tuesday 10th December KS1 Christmas performance 9.30am**
- **Friday 13th December Y2 trip to Malvern Theatre**

Your child's Nativity costume needs to arrive in school by Wednesday 4th December 😊

For home learning this week we would like.....

The children to complete some research about '**Advent**' as this will be our next R.E unit of work. Your children can present their '**Advent**' findings in any way they choose.

We would also like the children to continue to log onto Charanga and practise the songs. Please also help your child learn their lines at home in a clear and loud voice.

Happy home learning

Mrs Atkinson and Miss Annese.

