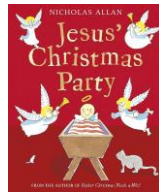
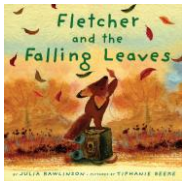




Chestnut Newsletter

In **English** this half term we will be focussing on the texts **Fletcher and the Falling Leaves** and **Jesus' Christmas Party**. From these texts all children will be writing their own version of the stories, changing the character and then from the perspective of a different character.



In **Maths** this half term we will be focussing on **addition and subtractions and shape**. **Year 1** children will use numbers to 10 to complete additions, subtractions and missing number problems and **Year 2** children will work using numbers within 100. We will then all name, identify properties and create pattern with 2D and 3D shapes.

In **Phonics** year 1 children will continue to learn phase 5 sounds. Weekly home learning sheets will be sent to support this. Year 2 children will begin to complete the Little Wandle spelling programme through daily spelling sessions.

Reading

Children will continue to read their reading book three times a week in class. This book will then be sent home on a Wednesday and collected in again on a Monday so the book can be changed. Once the book has been read three times in school it will then be sent home again on a Wednesday. The three reads in class will focus on decoding, prosody and comprehension. Please comment in your child's home learning book when you listen to them read.

Homework

Homework will continue to be sent half termly. A homework grid will be sent home with 9 different activities for you to choose. It is expected you complete at least **3** different activities throughout the half term. This can be evidenced in your child's homework book, or an image can be emailed through to ewilkinson@thornton-in-craven.n-yorks.sch.uk. We will share any homework images or work with the class when it has been completed so, please let me know when you have completed a task. We will also display homework achievements on our homework display board! There was some fabulous homework sent in last half term and it has been lovely to see the children so excited to share their learning with the class and eager to complete the next challenge!

Geography

In geography we will be looking at weather and seasons. We will identify how seasons and weather impact our daily life, complete a weather diary and investigate and predict suitable clothing for different weather.

Art and Design

Our focus in Art this half term will be drawing and spirals. We will be using the artist Molly Haslund as our inspiration.



Science

In Science this half term will be focussing seasonal changes.

PSHE

Our key question will be 'What do we put into and on our bodies?'. We will focus on drug, alcohol and tobacco education.

RE

Our key question in RE this half term is 'Me and Others' with a focus on identify, society, equality, and relationships.

Computing

We will begin coding using Purple Mash this half term using Maze Explorers and Making Mus

PE

PE will take place on a **Monday and Friday** with a focus on gymnastics and hockey.



Water Bottles

Please make sure your child has a named water bottle in school each day. These do go through the dishwasher each day in school. Some children like to take these home but please make sure they return to school the next day.