

## Weekly Learning Reflections



The penultimate week of term is here and time has flown by since September. The children have continued to apply themselves well this week, managing to contain their Christmas excitement enough to focus on the work at hand. They have challenge themselves to continue working hard and focus on their learning. We have reached December and the children are certainly already excited for Christmas!

Our attention has turned to the Polar Express in English this week with us reading the story together and answering questions relating to the description. The children have then been planning and begun writing letters to persuade yourselves to let them watch the film next week in school. They have come up with many ideas as to why it is a good thing to do, including saving you having to watch it with them at home!

In Maths, we have begun looking at time with the children recapping their learning from last year and building on it. We have challenged them to tell the time to o'clock, half-past, quarter past and quarter to and some have challenged themselves to tell the time to the nearest 5 minutes and nearest minute. Some have found it challenging to remember which way the hands go but we will continue to work on this to secure and consolidate their learning.

We have continued our curriculum focus with the children exploring which materials are conductors and insulators in Science. They have also investigated the effect adding bulbs to a circuit has on the brightness of the bulbs. We finished the week with a Christmas theme, spending some time making Christmas decorations as well as enjoying the Year 3 Christmas play! A very festive end to the week and a good treat for their hard work this week.

★ ★ ★ STARS OF THE WEEK ★ ★ ★

**Pupil Star of the Week - ★ Alysia ★**

Alysia was chosen as Star of the Week with the children asked to focus on kindness and consideration of others again. They identified that Alysia is always keen to help others, considers how others are feeling and makes sure that they never feel left out or excluded. She was recognised for this inside and outside the classroom so well done Alysia!

**Teacher Star of the Week - ★ Thea ★**

This week I have chosen Seren as my Star of the Week. Seren has had a great attitude this week, identifying areas where she struggles and finding ways of overcoming obstacles or getting the help she needs. She has shown a real thirst for learning this week which has been great to see! Well done Seren, you've had a fantastic week!

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I hope you all have a lovely weekend,

Mr Castell