



# Townhill Community School Curriculum Newsletter



Welcome to the second instalment of our half-termly curriculum newsletter!

What a busy half-term it has been! It feels like we have been preparing for Christmas shenanigans for an age! The children have been SO excited, from fete prep to concert practice, lantern making to Christmas crafts...!

We ALL feel ready for the Christmas break now, let the fun begin!



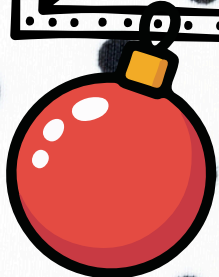
## Nursery

The children have been bursting with excitement in Nursery with all of the fun Christmas activities that have been going on. They worked incredibly hard to practise for the Christmas concert, we couldn't be more proud of them. They have also been busy creating lots of amazing Christmas crafts which you will be able to see very soon!



## Reception

It has been a wonderfully busy half-term filled with Christmas crafts, concert rehearsals, and plenty of festive excitement. The children have been working hard on recognising single letter sounds in preparation for blending, as well as practising correct letter formation and developing their counting and number sequencing skills. Alongside this, they have continued to explore all of our provision areas with enthusiasm—especially anything that involves a bit of messy play!



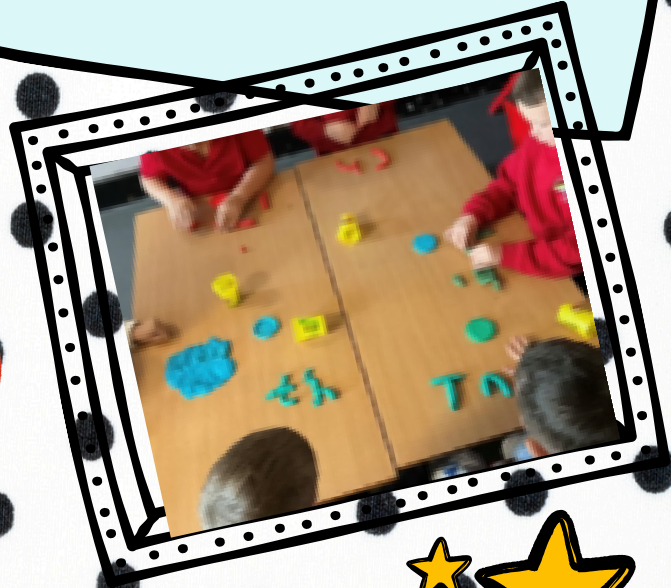
## Year 1

Year 1 have loved learning about Bonfire Night and Christmas this term as part of our 'Celebrations' topic. We created twirly sparklers and sparkly snowflakes, which the children really enjoyed. We were so proud of their wonderful performance of 'Jesus' Christmas Party', where they sang and danced beautifully.



## Year 2

It's been a busy yet brilliant half term for Year 2! The children have been busy making Christmas crafts and practising for our upcoming Christmas concert. They have also been working really hard in 'Read Write Inc' showing great focus and progress in learning their letter sounds and blending. We're so proud of their effort and excitement as we head into the festive season.



## Year 3

This half term, we've been continuing our exciting topic 'Journeys', which has whisked us away on an adventure into the world of pirates! The children have loved every moment —designing their own treasure maps, using coordinates to discover hidden loot, creating eye-catching wanted posters, and even building pirate ships from materials that could float and survive a good splash. What a voyage it's been!

**AHOY!**



# MERRY CHRISTMAS



## Year 4

This term, Year 4 planned and ran a 'Joe Wicks' workout to raise awareness and funds for Children in Need. We have loved reading 'The Lost Letters of Christmas' and finding creative ways to respond to the story. In Science, we explored how sound travels and even made our own string telephones! We are very excited for all things Christmas.



## Year 5

In Year 5 this term we have been learning about The Wright brothers groundbreaking achievements in flight. The children have applied their learning to a creative Lego challenge, building their own aeroplanes! Alongside their engineering, we have been working hard, making delicious homemade chocolates to sell at our Christmas fete!



## Year 6

This half-term has been super busy preparing for the Christmas fete and our Christmas concert - our last Christmas at TCS has been the best! We've also enjoyed lantern making with the Phoenix Centre, coding with Technocamps and creating beautiful art linked to Remembrance Day and WWI.





# Infant and Junior STF

It's been a very busy term for the boys and girls in the ISTF and JSTF. We got cracking with our topic, 'Heroes Who Help Us' (ISTF/JSTF). We have been learning about all the people in our community who help us keep safe, happy and healthy. We visited a medical centre, we had a brilliant visit from some police officers and we learned about firemen and vets. Now it's all things Christmas... Yippee!!!



## HO HO HO



- Last day of Autumn Term - Friday Dec 19th
- First day of Spring Term - Monday Jan 5th
- Valentines Disco - (FPh) Feb 11<sup>th</sup>, KS2 Feb 12<sup>th</sup>
- February half-term - break up on Fri 13<sup>th</sup>, return on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> (Feb)



**SAVE!  
THE DATE!**

