

Cop Lane C.E. Primary School

A welcoming Christian community, committed to one another, giving our very best at all times.

'I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.' Philippians 4:13

Our Christian Value is: peace



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Headteacher's Message

It's been a week of festivities! Both the EYFS and Y1/ Y2 Nativity performances went very well this week. The children did very well and I know that all the staff (and parents)! were very proud of them. Well done!

On Thursday, we had our Christmas lunch. Thank you to Barbara and the kitchen team for all their hard work in cooking for everyone. The food was delicious.

This morning, our choir sang at Booths. They were amazing and super ambassadors for the school. Well done to all!

On Tuesday, we say goodbye to Mrs Bell, who will start her maternity leave after Christmas. We also say farewell to Miss Teague. I'd like to thank them both for their hard work. I know you will join me in wishing them both well.

Finally, don't forget that school closes at 2pm on Tuesday 20th December. This will be the last newsletter of the year. May I take this opportunity on behalf of all the staff and governors to wish all our families a peaceful Christmas and Happy New Year!

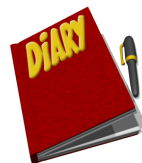
See you all in January.

Best wishes,

Mr Ian P. Ashmore



Dates for your Diary



19.12.22—All junior parties in the afternoon. Children can wear their own clothes.

20.12.22—School closes at 2pm

03.01.23—School reopens at 8:45am.

PTFA News

Look out for more PTFA events and news in 2023!



Reflection Time

'She will give birth to a son, and you are give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins.'

Matthew 1:21

This week in our worship, we have looked at the meaning of Christmas. We talked about the importance of the birth of Jesus. We talked about how Jesus was sent from God to show much God loves us. Christmas is a time of celebration but also a time to give to others. We talked about the gifts that we might give to our families and others. The most important gift we can give this Christmas is love.



This week in our Picture News, we looked at the news that Nasa officials have recently announced that humans could live on the Moon during this decade. They wouldn't be living there permanently, but could stay for long periods to carry out scientific research. Howard Hu, who leads the Orion lunar spacecraft programme for Nasa, said they would need to create homes on the lunar surface to support scientific expeditions. Nasa's plan is that the next mission would have a crew onboard, followed by a third, where astronauts would land on the Moon. This would be the first manned Moon trip for Nasa since Apollo 17, 50 years ago, in December 1972. The children considered the question: 'What would it be like to live on the Moon?' Our 'Picture News at Home' can be found on the last page of this newsletter.





A Christmas Blessing

May the joy of the angels,
the eagerness of the shepherds,
the perseverance of the wise men,
the obedience of Joseph and Mary,
and the peace of the Christ child,
be yours this Christmas.

Amen



GOING OUTSIDE IN WINTER

When going outside, the cold temperature and cold winds are two obvious hazards but before you go out, there are other tips to bear in mind:

Staying safe starts at home

1. BEFORE YOU GO OUT TO PLAY

Make sure you've had something to eat and drink to fuel your fun.

2. WRAP UP SAFE AND WARM

3. TELL AN ADULT WHERE YOU ARE GOING

4. TAKE SOME WATER TO STAY HYDRATED

If you're going to be out for a long time.

Wrap up safe and warm

1. WEAR LOTS OF LAYERS OF CLOTHES

(not just a t-shirt and a big coat)

2. WEAR A BRIGHTLY COLOURED COAT

So that cars and other people can spot you easily.

3. WEAR A HAT TO KEEP YOUR HEAD WARM

4. DON'T FORGET YOUR FINGERS AND TOES

Wear some nice thick gloves and socks.

5. WATERPROOF BOOTS AND COATS WILL KEEP YOU DRY



EFFECTS OF THE COLD

We all get a little chilly when we're out in the cold, but we need to make sure that we don't get too cold as this could cause frostbite and hypothermia.

What is frostbite?

Frostbite is when your skin gets so cold that it starts to become damaged.

Look out for these signs of frostbite:

- Your skin may turn pale or even greyish or bluish, and have a waxy look
- Your extremities (fingers, toes, nose, lips or ears) may feel numb
- Your skin may feel frozen or stiff, or may even feel itchy or burnt
- In serious cases, there may be blisters on the skin
- It might feel painful when your extremities start to warm up

What is hypothermia?

Hypothermia is when your body gets so cold that it is not able to work properly. People become hypothermic when their body temperature (not the outdoor temperature) drops from 37°C to 35°C.

Look out for these signs of hypothermia:

- You may start shivering
- You may feel tired or sleepy
- You may feel confused, not understand what's going on, or find it difficult to remember things
- You may slur when you talk
- Your skin might feel cold



Winter **WATER SAFETY**

In winter, more people who are walking or running alongside water fall in and drown than in any other season.

Slippery paths, patches of ice and a lack of daylight can make being near water more dangerous than in the summer months. If you fall into the water, the cold temperatures make it difficult for you to control your breathing, to use your hands to climb out and can even cause you to have a heart attack.

So, follow our safety tips to make sure that your winter walks are enjoyable and safe.



KEEP BACK FROM THE EDGE

When walking alongside water keep back from the edge.



ONLY USE WELL LIT AREAS

Time your walks to make the most of the daylight; if you need to walk in the evening only use well-lit areas or take a route not alongside water.



KEEP DOGS ON THEIR LEADS

Keep dogs on their leads when near ice and don't throw sticks or toys onto the ice.



TEACH CHILDREN NOT TO GO ON TO THE ICE

Teach children not to go onto the ice under any circumstances.



DON'T GO ON THE ICE TO RESCUE A DOG

Don't go onto ice or into the water to rescue a dog, move to somewhere that the dog will be able to climb out and call them towards you.



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SNOW, ICE AND WIND CHILL

- **Ice** is just frozen water. Water freezes when the temperature reaches 0°C or colder
- **Snow** forms if the cloud is below 0°C. When the cloud is cold enough, the water in the cloud turns into ice instead of rain and the tiny ice crystals stick together to make snowflakes
- **Wind chill** is the extra coldness that you feel when cold wind blows past your skin. The stronger the wind, the faster your body loses heat and the colder you feel

Walking on snow and ice

No matter how well the snow and ice are removed from pavements and car parks, there will still be areas that are slippery and icy.

TOP TIPS

1. WALK CAREFULLY AND REMEMBER THAT ALL WET OR DARK AREAS ON PAVEMENTS COULD BE SLIPPERY AND ICY
2. WEAR BOOTS WITH LOTS OF GRIP
3. BE EXTRA CAREFUL WHEN GETTING IN AND OUT OF CARS AND BUSES (NEVER JUMP)
4. ONLY WALK IN SAFE AREAS – CUTTING ACROSS PILES OF SNOW AND ICE COULD BE HAZARDOUS
5. NEVER WALK ONTO ICE ON A POND, LAKE, CANAL OR RIVER (THERE ARE ALWAYS WEAK AREAS THAT YOU COULD FALL THROUGH)

ALWAYS FOLLOW THE WATER SAFETY CODE

Whenever you are around water:

STOP AND THINK

Look for the dangers. Always read the signs.

STAY TOGETHER

Never swim alone. Always go with friends or family. Only swim where there is a lifeguard.

In an emergency:

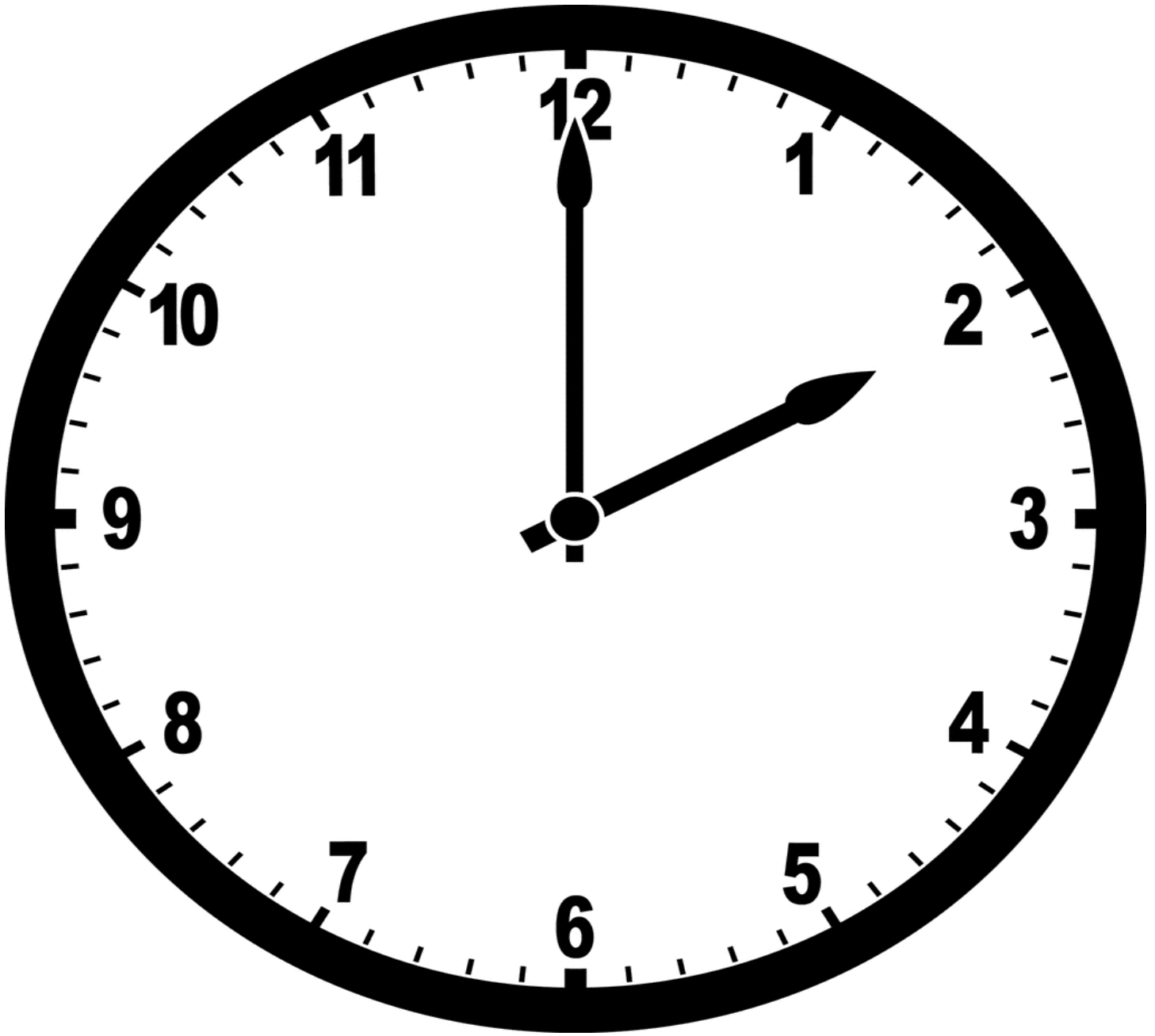
CALL 999 OR 112

Shout for help and phone 999 or 112.

FLOAT

If you fall in, float or swim on your back. Throw something that floats to anyone who has fallen in the water.





DON'T FORGET THAT SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 2PM ON TUESDAY 20TH DECEMBER.

WE WILL REOPEN ON TUESDAY 3RD DECEMBER AT 8.45AM.

HAPPY CHRISTMAS!!!

School Council Report—Josh and Lilly

Last Friday, Katherine Fletcher visited the school council of Cop Lane. She is a member of parliament and we wanted to ask her about current issues and what the government were doing to help.

First, we introduced ourselves and told her which class we were in. We then went around asking questions and Katherine answered them in detail. Some of the questions we asked involved her thoughts on people striking and if we should switch to electric cars in the future. She also informed us that only the council can install bins on beaches in response to a question about reducing rubbish on beaches.

After asking some questions, we asked our final question. The question we asked was about pumping sewage into rivers and the sea after heavy rain. This isn't fair on swimmers and sea creatures. She told us that we can't just arrest people who want to put sewage in our lakes, rivers and seas. However, they can be fined, which means they'll have to pay a lot of money. In order for the practice to stop, the whole of the sewage system would need to be upgraded, which would cost the government around £150 billion pounds.



Christmas shopping on Amazon? Why not raise money for the school PTFA at the same time. Use the link below and Amazon will donate to school at no additional cost to you!
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Facilities available to hire at Cop Lane C.E Primary School

Cop Lane C.E Primary School's facilities are available to hire. Based in the Penwortham community, we have indoor and outdoor facilities to hire at competitive rates that are great for sport, drama, martial arts and much more. Free on-site parking is available out of school hours.



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What would it be like to live on the Moon?

In the news this week

Nasa officials have recently announced that humans could live on the Moon during this decade. They wouldn't be living there permanently, but could stay for long periods to carry out scientific research. Howard Hu, who leads the Orion lunar spacecraft programme for Nasa, said they would need to create homes on the lunar surface to support scientific expeditions. Nasa's plan is that the next mission would have a crew onboard, followed by a third, where astronauts would land on the Moon. This would be the first manned Moon trip for Nasa since Apollo 17, 50 years ago, in December 1972.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Share what you know about the Moon and the history of Moon landings. Do you know anyone who remembers that time in history?
- > Share your thoughts on a possible base on the Moon. Do you think it is a good idea?

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