



Topic

Last week was a very exciting week. On Monday we were visited by Anna from the ORCA charity, she taught us about whales, dolphins and porpoises. She brought reconstructed dolphin skulls and real whale teeth for us see. We also used a tape measure on the field to find and compare the length of different whales and dolphins.

On Wednesday we went for our walk to the foreshore, noting the geographical features we saw on the way. We also stopped at the People's Memorial, where we laid a poppy wreath that Class 8 had made. Miss Poppleton read the poem 'For the Fallen', and we talked about the significance of Remembrance Day. Thank you very much to the helpers that came with us – we wouldn't have been able to go without them.

This week we are looking at buoyancy and floating and sinking in science. We are investigating materials that float and sink and will link this to some work we will be doing later on in the term. In this topic we are also looking at weather and we are comparing the weather in Portsmouth with that in Sydney, Australia. Each class is displaying what they find out.

Robinson Crusoe

As you know we have been basing our English work this half term around the Daniel Defoe story Robinson Crusoe. Next week we will be taking the opportunity to show the children some episodes of the 1964 televised serial - The Adventures of Robinson Crusoe. It was originally a children's tv serial, however it has a PG certificate. If you don't want your child to watch parts of this version of the story, please let your child's class teacher know.

Children in Need – Friday 18th November

We will be supporting "Children in Need" this year by having a non-school uniform day on Friday 18th November. Children may come to school in their own clothes and something spotty (ie socks, scarf, hat). Please can they be dressed appropriately for the weather and wearing sensible footwear. Donations of £1 will be collected at the classroom doors.

Lacey Library

Just to remind you that Year 2 will be visiting the Lacey library on Monday afternoons in rotation. If you are available to help walk the children to the library, your help would be appreciated, please let your child's class teacher know. If we don't have volunteers to come with us we won't be able to go.

21st November – Class 7
28th November – No visit
5th December - Class 8
9th January – Class 9

Outside PE

We will be continuing to have PE outside even though the weather is becoming colder, so please make sure that your child has a track suit. Also please remember to remove or tape your child's earrings for PE sessions.

Class 7 – Tuesday/Friday
Class 8 – Wednesday/Friday
Class 9 – Tuesday/Thursday

Christmas Performance

The year 2 Christmas Carol Service will take place on Tuesday 13th December, at 2pm at St Cuthbert's Church

As always please don't hesitate to ask about anything you're unsure of.

The Year 2 Team