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OFSTED VISIT

We were pleased to have Ofsted join us for their visit on Tuesday 2nd and Wednesday 3rd December. It was a great opportunity to celebrate our many strengths, with the inspectors visiting lessons, talking to children and looking at books.

We are one of the first schools to have been inspected under the new framework, therefore the return of the report may take longer than usual as it undergoes additional quality assurance processes. The inspectors indicate that this may be towards the end of January or February.

We look forward to sharing our report with our whole school community when it arrives. The report will be in the form of a report card. This is in line with the new framework. Please use the link below to find out more about these.

[https://www.gov.uk/guidance/understanding-ofsted-report-cards-and-grades?
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YEAR 2

This week Year 2 have been learning about Christmas traditions and exploring the different ways in which people celebrate. We identified links between current traditions and those presented in the nativity story e.g. giving of presents by the wise men and giving presents to our loved ones. We also enjoyed learning about the tradition of putting up a Christmas Tree and how it was brought to the UK by Queen Charlotte in the 1800's, a tradition she had adopted from Germany. This inspired us to make some Christmas Tree crafts to celebrate our learning.





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RECEPTION

We have been finding out about the new season of Winter. We explored the different types of weather across the seasons, focusing on the changes we have observed as the season changed from autumn to winter. "Winter is cold" "it is chilly" "it can be icy" "we had snow"

We also discussed the clothes we need to wear in winter. "Gloves and a hat" "I have a big fluffy coat" We created wintery artwork with felt tips and collage materials like cotton wool for snow. We then added some sparkle and shine with glitter and sparkly snowflakes.



POPPY APPEAL

Martins Wood Primary School is proud to announce that our community has raised £468.35 for this year's Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. A huge thank-you to everyone who contributed to this meaningful cause.



CLASS LIST NOW AVAILABLE

Our students class lists are now displayed outside the classroom doors. Families are welcome to take photos of the lists to help with writing cards at home. Thank you for helping us spread a little festive cheer around the school!

DATES FOR THE DIARY

- 10th December - KS1+KS2 Christmas Performance
- 11th December - Y6 to Nobel Pantomime
- 12th December - Christmas Jumper Day
- 15th December - EYFS Stay & Play
- 17th December - Christmas Lunch
- 19th December - End of Term - 2pm
- 6th January 2026 - Return to School - 8:45pm

Whole school attendance is currently at 94.8%

Remember - to achieve 100% attendance your child needs to be in school, every day and on time.

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