

## Highlights of the Week

Welcome back. We hope you all had a restful half term and the children didn't eat too many sweets on Halloween!

This half term we are continuing our push on reading. This week the children will be doing another STAR test on Accelerated Reader which will allow us to adapt their reading ranges. The Accelerated Reader programme is designed to not only increase a child's reading fluency but also to assess their recall and understanding of the texts they have read. The quizzes test their abilities of inference and deduction as well as simple recall. These are key skills that the children will need at every stage of their education.

## Information for Parents

- Homework is set on Thursday and due in the following Monday.
- Children should be reading for 30 minutes everyday and practising their times tables.

### Key Dates

3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> December - Sayers Croft Residential Trip

8<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Shopping Event

8<sup>th</sup> December - KS2 Christmas Disco

15<sup>th</sup> December - Carol Service

17<sup>th</sup> December - Pantomime Trip

18<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Lunch

19<sup>th</sup> December - End of Term 1.30pm

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7<sup>th</sup> November 2025

This half term we are beginning a new geography topic on mountains. We will be finding out how mountains were made and more about mountains around the world.



This week, we've started our exciting new topic on Forces! In our first lesson, we explored the force of gravity in a fun and creative way – by watching paint drip. The children were fascinated to see how gravity pulls the paint down and loved observing the different patterns it made as it fell. It was a colourful and entertaining start to our learning, and we're looking forward to many more hands-on experiments as we continue to discover how forces shape the world around us.

