

# Apple Class Newsletter

Autumn 2

1<sup>st</sup> December 2025



## News / Information

It was so lovely to see everyone at the Christmas Fair on Saturday. I am sure the children had lots of fun and their visit to see Father Christmas was magical.

This week is our special Nativity performance on Friday 5<sup>th</sup>. The dress rehearsal will take place at 9.45am, so please ensure your child is in school on time. Our performance in the evening will be at 6pm, the children are due back into school at 5.30pm so that we can get them changed.

Please ensure your child's costume is in school by Wednesday – in a named bag.

There will be no PE this week, due to the hall being used for practising. Therefore, no need to be in PE kits on Tuesday or Thursday.

Louise takes the class to Mike's Meadow on Wednesday mornings; can you please ensure that your child is wearing warm clothing. The days are getting colder, and we do not want the children to feel uncomfortable.

## Phonics

**Phase 2** – this week we continue phase 2 in our phonics programme. The class will be introduced to 4 graphemes/digraphs – **This is a review week as we have now learnt all Phase 2 phonemes.**

*Next week I will complete another assessment with each child to check in with their progress so far.*

## What are we learning this week:

In Drawing Club, it is another animation classic – The Clangers. I am absolutely sure the children are going to be completely smitten with these characters. In this episode, one of the Clangers has found some gold coins, fished from space using his magnetic wand and space boat! We are going to have lot of fun this week.

This week in maths we are practising object counting skills, to ensure accuracy, alongside this the children will be counting verbally up to 20 and beyond. Both these concepts require different skills, as a child may be able to count verbally with competency but may find it more challenging to count objects with accuracy. We will revisit counting with 1:1 correspondence. We are also revisiting matching numerals to different representations of a number.

We are going to learn about magnets this week, in conjunction with the Clangers in space.

## Teacher Awards

