

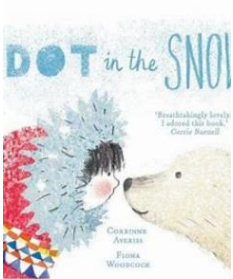


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Friday 9th January 2026

Welcome back to Class 2. I hope you had a lovely Christmas break.



Our learning this half term is based around the global theme ***Saving our Environment.***

Our topic this half term is, 'What is it like to live in Ilulissat?'

In **English**, our core text for this half term is 'A Dot in the Snow', by Corrinne Averiss. Within our writing lessons, we will be learning to write part of a setting description, followed by a non-chronological report.

- In **maths**, we are continuing to learn about multiplication focusing on our 2s, 5s and 10s times tables. There are some great songs on YouTube if your child would like to practise at home. We love singing them at school!
- In **geography**, we will be studying Ilulissat in Greenland linked to the book we are reading in English.
- In **DT**, we will use a range of skills to make our very own mittens.
- In **science**, we will be learning about animals including humans.
- In **PSHE**, we will be learning about belonging to a community.
- In **RE**, we will be learning about Judaism and its beliefs.
- In **music**, we will be learning about variety of songs, focusing on the song 'I want to be in a rock band'.
- In **computing**, we will be creating robot algorithms.

Forest schools

This half term, Class 2 will be taking part in Forest Schools on **Friday afternoons, beginning on Friday 16th January**. Please ensure your child comes to school with suitable **outdoor clothing** for these sessions, including wellies, a warm coat, hat, gloves and waterproofs as we will be outside in most weather conditions.

Phonics and Spellings

We are continuing with our Little Wandle reading scheme and your child will come home with a reading book each week. Please listen to your child read at home at least **three times a week** and we will change both books on a **Thursday**. We will also be starting Little Wandle, bridge to spelling, focusing on the basics of spelling and incorporating our phonics knowledge.

Please do not hesitate to contact me via the school office or at the end of the day if you have any concerns or questions.

Many thanks,

Miss Brailsford