11th November 2026

Dear Parents/Carers

The Polar Express
Friday 27th November 2026

In English, Y2MC, Y2SD and Y1/2PB are due to start a new unit which is based on the story 'The Polar Express' by Chris Van Allsburg. A key focus of this unit of work is looking at settings with the wintry and snowy environment providing useful stimulus as part of this experience. We would like to bring this experience to life for the children supporting them to understand the story in a practical way.

On the 27th November, we would like the children to come into school in their pyjamas. We will also be sharing some hot chocolate and exploring different settings including ice and snow. We ask that their pyjama bottoms are full length and suitable for school. We also ask that the children have some clothing and underwear on underneath the pyjamas so that they are warm enough for the day's events. If the children could wear their school shoes as we will still be playing outside during the day, but they are welcome to bring in some slippers to wear when we are inside.

We hope that the children will engage in this experience and look forward to learning more about The Polar Express. If you have any questions or queries regarding this exciting experience, please speak to one of the team members below.

Yours sincerely

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Year 2 Team