Dear Parent/Carers,

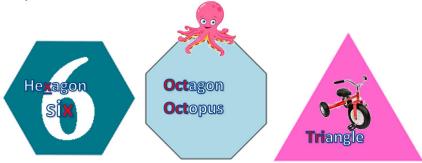
Well, what an exciting week we have had!

On Tuesday, the children took part in the Elf Dash for Overgate Hospice. A fantastic amount of money has been raised and the children had lots of festive fun completing the challenge with their Year 4 buddies. Thank you to everybody for getting behind this fantastic cause!

In Maths lessons this week, we have recapped some important vocabulary that means addition or subtraction but in a sneaky way. *Longer*, *hotter* and *more expensive* are all clue words that we are going to add. *Colder*, *younger* and *cheaper* are clues that we will need to subtract.

This vocabulary reminder has allowed us to try some reasoning and word problems. The children had to first read the question, then decide whether they needed to add or subtract. After this, they then had to write their own written method in their books and complete the question.

Also this week in Maths, we have reminded ourselves of the properties of 2D shapes (vertices and sides) and the names of specific shapes. We thought of different ways to help remember them like the examples below:



In English, we created our own version of the story 'The Eagle Who Thought He Was A Chicken' and swapped the animals to suit a similar storyline. Some decided to choose a dog and a cat, a shark and a dolphin and a hare and a rabbit. The stories included a problem which needed solving and suitable resolution.

We have a fun-filled final week to look forward to:

Wednesday 17th December – Year 2 Christmas Party – children can come into school in party clothes. Please could children in 2S bring something savoury and 2B bring something sweet.

Thursday 19th December- church service.

We will be walking to and from church with our Y4 buddies. Please make sure that your child is wearing a suitable coat and shoes (school shoes are not required to be worn on this day.)

Friday 20th December

Christmas Jumper Day – children can come into school in anything sparkly or festive

Many thanks,

Mr Bale, Mrs Hardcastle, Mrs Hodgson and the Year 2 team