

THE FOREST CALLER

THE NATIVITY BY SOPHIE MACKLIN



Think you're all set for Christmas? Well, do you know the epic tale of how it all began? Buckle up as we zoom back about 2000 years!

The Nativity Adventure



It kicks off with a gal named Mary who fell head over heels for a carpenter named Joseph. One starry night, Mary got a surprise visit from the fabulous Angel Gabriel, who dropped the bombshell that she was going to have a baby named Jesus—the son of God himself!

Soon enough, Mary had that pregnancy glow and they needed to find a cozy spot for the big arrival. They hit up an inn, but the innkeeper was like, "Sorry, no room!" So, off they went, house-hunting like it was a reality show, but every door they knocked on was a no-go. Finally, they trudged from Nazareth to Bethlehem, completely wiped out, when they spotted a stable in the distance. Sure, it was packed with animals, but hey, it was shelter!

Meanwhile, three wise men spotted a dazzling star twinkling in the night sky. They were like, "Follow that star!" hoping it would lead them to the newborn king. And let's not forget the shepherds who heard Gabriel's news and hustled over to the stables, too!

When the wise men arrived, they brought gifts fit for a king: gold, frankincense, and myrrh. Everyone crowded around Mary, and just like that, baby Jesus made his grand entrance—the son of God who would grow up to be a superstar for many!

Forest Nativity This Year

THE ANGEL WHO NEARLY MISSED IT ALL

Will this Late Angel eventually make it to meet Mary and Joseph, and help the rest of the Angel Chorus celebrate the most important event of all? Find out at the Forest Preparatory Nativity!

We hope to see you there!



MERRY CHRISTMAS

Have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



CHRISTMAS QUIZ BY EMME BRACKEN



- 1 What is the name of the snowman in the Disney movie Frozen?
- 2 what colour is a polar bear under their fur?
- 3 How many points does a snowflake have?
- 5 What is lucky to find in your Christmas Pudding?
- 6 What is the name of the evergreen plant that it's traditional to kiss under?
- 7 What might a naughty child find in their stocking on Christmas morning?
- 8 Santa Claus is also known as Saint who?
- 9 True or false: In Japan, millions of people eat KFC for their main Christmas meal?
- 10 True or false: As a family tradition in Sweden, millions of people settle down on Christmas Eve to watch Donald Duck?



1 Olaf 2 black 3 Six
5 Sixpence 6 Mistletoe 7 Coal 8 Saint Nicholas 9
True 10 True

GLOBAL WARMING BY KHARTHC SIVAKUMAR



WHAT IS GLOBAL WARMING?

The planet is suffering due to human actions. Climate change, also known as global warming, is wreaking havoc on the Earth. Scientists estimate that since the Industrial Revolution, human activities have raised the Earth's temperature by around 1°C. While this may seem minimal, it has significant global consequences for people and wildlife. Approximately 1 million species are currently facing extinction as a result of global warming.

WHAT CAUSES GLOBAL WARMING?

The combustion of coal, oil, and gas generates carbon dioxide and nitrous oxide. Deforestation and the expansion of livestock farming contribute to this issue as well. Fertilizers that contain nitrogen lead to nitrous oxide emissions. Additionally, fluorinated gases are released from various equipment and products that utilize these substances.



GLOBAL WARMING

SKIING BY BEN BETTS



Hey there, I'm Ben Betts, and today we're hitting the slopes! Skiing is like the rock star of winter sports, stealing hearts all over the globe. It's all about strapping on some skis and gliding through the fluffy white stuff, whether you're just cruising around, having a blast, or racing against the clock!

Let's talk about competitions! We've got the thrilling Downhill, where speed is the name of the game—who can zoom down that steep, twisty slope the fastest? Then there's Super G, the speed demon's playground, plus the classic Slalom and its big brother, Giant Slalom!

Now, where do I go? Every year, I go skiing with my friend Nell and sometimes with Luca and Gracie. We've explored a bunch of resorts, but my all-time fave has to be La Plagne.



THE WILD ROBOT BY BEN BETTS

The Wild Robot is the story of Rozzum unit 7134, a robot who wakes up for the very first time to find that she's alone on a remote, wild island. Roz doesn't know how she got there, or where she came from: she only knows that she wants to stay alive. On Sunday I and my mum and brother Went to see the wild robot film so I will tell you about it.

The Wild Robot premiered at the 49th Toronto International Film Festival on September 8, 2024, and was released in the United States On September 27. The film received acclaim for its story, animation, emotional depth, musical score, and vocal performances, particularly from Nyong'o, Pascal, and Connor.

The most common age recommendation for The Wild Robot is 7-10 However, I think it should be for all ages.



FESTIVALS AROUND THE WORLD BY DRON ASHWIN



Diwali

Diwali is the dazzling Indian festival that lights up November with joy! It's my absolute favourite celebration in my religion—who doesn't love a good festival of lights?

Day of the Dead

The Day of the Dead is a vibrant holiday celebrated with flair on November 1 and 2, honouring loved ones with colourful festivities!

Chinese New Year

Chinese New Year, also known as the Spring Festival, is a time of family reunions, delicious feasts, and cultural traditions. Each year is represented by a different animal from the Chinese zodiac, and festivities include dragon and lion dances, fireworks, and the exchange of red envelopes filled with good luck money. It's a celebration of new beginnings and cherished family moments.

Holi

Holi, the ultimate Indian bash, is all about splashing colors everywhere! It's a riot of fun where we throw hues at each other, turning the world into a rainbow!

Carnival

Carnival is a spectacular festival celebrated with enthusiasm in many parts of the world, especially in Brazil. This lively event is all about music, dance, and dazzling costumes. Streets come alive with vibrant parades, samba rhythms fill the air, and people join together in joyous celebration. It's a time when creativity knows no bounds, and everyone is invited to partake in the fun!

THE NIGHTMARE BEFORE CHRISTMAS BY AYL A BARKER- HYDE



I watched The Nightmare Before Christmas a few days ago and I loved it! My favourite character is Sally. She is cheeky and funny. This film is 9 and over. I am 8, but I do not think it was scary, but other people might.

She is in love with Jack. He is the king of Halloween and that is so cool, and guess what, my mum thinks this film is scary but I do not! She is such a baby! Maybe you might want to watch this film, maybe not. So right now you might want to head home to ask your parents if you can watch it.

If you do decide to watch it, I hope you enjoy it as much as I did! The songs are really catchy, and the animation is amazing. It's the perfect mix of spooky and fun, and even though it's a Halloween movie, it has a lot of heart. Sally's bravery and kindness make her such a great character, and Jack's journey is really exciting to follow. Let me know what you think if you get to see it!

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING BY FLO BRACKEN, AYLA SEXTON AND AYLA BARKER-HYDE



Introduction

Welcome to our article, we are going to tell you about what gifts you could buy for children from ages 4-11. Our names are Ayla Sexton, Florence Bracken and Ayla Barker-Hyde.

Toys for 4~5 year olds

~Light up dance mat~slinky~sketch pad on chalkboard~race car toys.

A light-up dance mat is a jazzy mat that can come in many colours.~ A slinky is a toy that can in a way bounce down the stairs.~ A sketch pad on a chalkboard is a chalkboard that you can draw on.~ Race car toys a toy that you can collect and get in many different colours.

Toys for 6~7 year olds

~LOL doll~Barbie dolls dream house~furby~walky talky.

A Furby is an alien that can talk. They are fun to play with.~ A Barbie doll dream house is a house that is a pink, large house.~An LOL doll is a small doll that you can even put in the bath.~A walky-talky is something that you can walk around with while talking through.

Toys for 8~9-year-olds

Polaroid camera~make it a real art book~quick pop~glitter tattoo kit.

A Polaroid camera is a camera that can print out so that you can see your picture. A Make It Real Art book is a fashion designing book where you can design dresses, skirts and T-shirts.~

A glitter tattoo kit is a tattoo that is made of glitter. There are different shapes and sizes.~a quick pop is a poppet that will glow up and the ones that do glow up you pop.

Toys for 10~11-year-olds

~craft -N-play~light up lanterns~how charming necklace~ disco ball wristband.

A craft~ N~play is a fun craft for kids. Light lanterns are lanterns that can come in many different colours.~ A How charming necklace is a necklace that you can make by yourself with charms.~A disco ball watch that will light up.



CHRISTMAS DINNER BY MOLLY PICKERING AND ISLA MARSHALL

One Christmas Day, a normal and an innocent family with a mum called Gemma, a dad called Kevin, a daughter called Isla, and a son called Jimmy. They were having a wonderful time when suddenly, Jimmy ran out of the room because he had accidentally eaten a rotten apple! He ran to the toilet and threw up. When he came back, he was green in the face! Gemma asked "Jimmy, are you ok!?"

"Nooo!" Jimmy groaned. He was starting to swell up. Quickly, Gemma called 999 and the hospital people rushed to their house. Jimmy started to go a bit crazy! "Hewow door! How are wu?" he said, wearily, "HALLELUJAH! DOORS ARE WEAL!!!" He was rushed to the hospital and Kevin (the dad) went with him.





MY HALLOWEEN HOLIDAY BY HARRIET FARRELL



Hi all, I hope you all had a spooktacular Halloween!! I know I did, so I'm going to tell you all about it. First, I'm going to tell you where Halloween originated from, to give you a bit of history, and then the personal stuff will begin.

Halloween originated from a festival called the Samhain, which was celebrated in the early medieval period. In the Samhain festival, people wore costumes and masks to disguise themselves as harmful spirits and thus avoid harm. Bonfires and food played a large part in the festivities.

Now that was all history and ancient things and everything, but now we are going to do my part of the Halloween story. First, I am going to tell you about the Halloween ghost train I went on.

IT WAS SO SCARY!

As we walked in, a clown jumped out and scared us! We got on the train, and a man on the speaker told us a scary story, and if we saw Hatchet Jack's (the live scarecrow) children, caw like a crow, say beware beware! And say go away. They would bang on the window! It was so fun! We had a little stop but stayed on the train, just to look at the nice view. Then, we went back, and a nice lady on the speaker taught us a fun Halloween song with actions.

CHRISTMAS FOREST STYLE BY SOPHIE MACKLIN

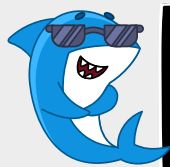


This year's Christmas Fair was super fun with lots of stalls to have a look at! Let's dive a bit deeper into the Christmas fun! We celebrated this special occasion on Friday 7th December at around 2:30 pm.

Each class held its own Christmas stalls, and each one was different from the other.

Before all the festive stalls, there was a 'Carols In The Ground' service which all parents and grandparents were invited to attend.

We sang a range of different Christmas songs to get us all in the spirit of Christmas. There were lots of sweets and cakes (I can guarantee that!) and many Christmas activities for everyone to enjoy.



INTERVIEW WITH A RUGBY FAN BY HARRIET FARRELL



Hi, I hope you love sports. I've interviewed my Dad about a particular sport called rugby. There are 2 types of rugby. One is called tag-rugby which is where only the person with the ball can be tagged. And contact rugby is where you are allowed to tackle. Contact rugby can be split even further into rugby league and rugby union. Rugby league is only played with 13 players while rugby union is played with 15.

My dad got into rugby by playing it at Altrincham Grammar. His rugby master was called Mr. Hughes, he was scary! Dad says the reason he loves rugby so much is that no matter what shape or size you are there is always a position for you, anyone can join in.

The team my dad supports is Sale Sharks and he watches them every time they play. " They are the best team in the world, just sometimes the scoreboard doesn't agree." There are lots of things for children to do, you can even meet the players! I have been to my first game recently and I am going with Dad in a few weeks to watch Sale vs Paris. It'll be a tough match but I am looking forward to the chips!!



SNOW BY EVE XIA



Snow falling piece by piece,
as people keep inside their homes to keep
away
from the snow.

People drink their hot chocolate sip by sip,
the warm steam filling in the air.

Christmas day pulling nearer,
kids sending their little letters,
adults preparing gifts
schools putting up trees.

Advent calendars waiting to be opened
as they sit untouched as the day flows nearer.

Santa being busy and the elves preparing
gifts.

You better be on the nice lists or no more
gifts.

Be a nice child and santa will reply
with a nice gift to open
and maybe a card to say hi.





CHRISTMAS BUSINESS BY GRACE EVANS

Introduction

Hi! My name is Grace, and I am going to be talking about a perfect Christmas. I'm also going to be doing interviews with my friends about what their Christmas wish list is.

Wish list ideas

Headphones
Music player (iPod)
Watch
Walkie-talkie
Camera
Kids Karaoke Microphone



Interviews

(What they want for Christmas)

Mum: Turntable, new work bag

Dad: A bike

Charlie (brother): Lego Monkie Kid



Christmas recipe steps

Gingerbread men:

- Make the dough and refrigerate for at least four hours.
- Roll out the chilled cookie dough on a floured surface.
- Use a cookie cutter to cut gingerbread men shapes.
- Bake until the edges are set.
- Let it cool, then decorate however you like.



Hot chocolate:

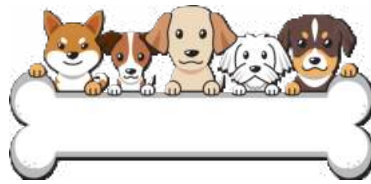
Preparation: Whisk 2 tablespoons unsweetened cocoa powder, 1-2 tablespoons sugar, a pinch of kosher salt, and about 2 tablespoons from 1 cup milk or any combination of milk, half-and-half, or cream in a small saucepan over medium-low heat on the stovetop until cocoa and sugar are dissolved, 1-2 minutes.

DOGGIES BY MOLLY PICKERING



My Pup-tastic Daisy

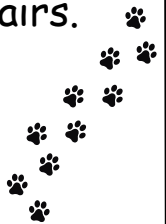
Meet Daisy, my adorable 5-month-old furball! She's a social butterfly, frolicking with other pups, especially the tiny ones. Her doggy daycare, Park Centre, is her second home, and she's always ready for a fish feast! Her ultimate sidekick is Mr. Ted, her plush polar bear. And let's not forget that first haircut—she strutted around looking like a lion! Daisy is a fabulous Cavapoo!



My Friends' Furry Friends:

Isla (Luna)

This curly, blonde Cavapoochon named Luna is 4 years old and a total bone aficionado! She's all about balls, meat, and cozy sleeps downstairs. Give her a grassy patch, and she's in doggy heaven!



Lilia (Milo)

Cheese lover alert! Lilia is a Cavapoo with the regal middle name of Harry. She's the queen of barking at other dogs and makes sure I wake up every morning with her cheerful antics!



Lara (Ruby)

Ruby, my Beagle, is the ultimate cheeky kitty chaser! Her sister Bayle hangs out with my cousin, and let's not forget the time she snagged five donuts—what a sneaky treat thief!



Faye (Margo)

Another cheese connoisseur! Margo is a Border Terrier with two brothers: Mark, who lives with my cousins, and Boris, who chills with grandma. She's always ready for a cheesy snack!



Mr. Booth (Maggie)

Meet Maggie, the one-and-a-half-year-old wiener dog who lives for cuddles! She's all about beach vibes and meaty treats but has a serious vendetta against rain.