



Inspire Christmas Edition 2025



Welcome to the Christmas edition of Inspire bulletin– we hope you enjoy reading it!

Words of the week



Festive (adjective): relating to a festival, especially Christmas – *The festive season is fast approaching.*

OR Cheerful and jovially celebratory – *There is a festive mood in the household.*

Celebrate (verb): to acknowledge a significant day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity – *They celebrate Christmas by giving presents.*

Thinking Challenge



Years 3/4

I get chopped, decorated and on one end you'll see wings on top. What am I?

Years 5/6

Which one of Santa's reindeer can you see in outer space?



Recommended Reading

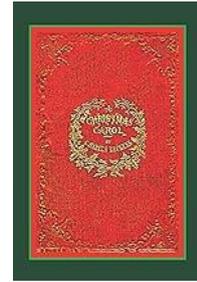
Years 3/4 - Coming Home by Michael Morpurgo



A plucky little robin sets out on an epic journey. Through dark forests, driving rain, clapping thunder and flashing lightning. Across frozen wastes, huge mountains and stormy seas he flies. And all the while he's dreaming of home. Of her. But will he ever get there? Find out in this wonderfully lyrical Christmas story from Michael Morpurgo, with illustrations by Kerry Hyndman.



Years 5/6 – A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens When Charles Dickens wrote A Christmas Carol in 1843 he gave an enduring gift to the world, capturing the essence of the love, kindness and generosity of the Christmas season. It is a timeless classic and the story's uplifting magic remains as potent today as when it was first published. It's a must read for everyone!



Wellbeing

Peace Star Meditation – Close your eyes, be very still and imagine you have a star in the middle of your forehead behind your eyes. This is your special peace star and every time you think about it you immediately feel peaceful and calm. Can you see it? What colour is your shining peace star? Stay as still as you possibly can and imagine a tiny star of peace shining inside your head. Breathe in peace, breathe out peace, breathe in peace, breathe out peace. The more you concentrate on your peace star, the more you become peaceful and calm and your whole body relaxes. Say to yourself *I am calm, I am peaceful, I am relaxed. I am calm, I am peaceful, I am relaxed.* Enjoy the peace you have created and stay in your peaceful place as long as you wish.



And now, when you are ready, wiggle your fingers and toes, have a big stretch and open your eyes.

Maths

Years 3/4

Santa's Sleigh is 11 metres long. If ten sleighs are parked one behind the other, how long is the line of sleighs?

Year 5/6

In the North Pole, there are 4 polar bears to every 7 reindeer. If there are 88 animals, how many reindeer are there?



ANSWERS

Thinking Challenges

Years 3/4

I get chopped, decorated and on one end you'll see wings on top. What am I?

A: A Christmas Tree

Years 5/6

Which one of Santa's reindeer can you see in outer space?

A: Comet

Maths Answers

Years 3/4

Santa's Sleigh is 11 metres long. If ten sleighs are parked one behind the other, how long is the line of sleighs?

A: 110 metres

Years 5/6

In the North Pole, there are 4 polar bears to every 7 reindeer. If there are 88 animals, how many reindeer are there?

A: 56