**29/11/24**

This week, the class have been working hard across all subjects. It has been a calm and considerate environment and particularly supportive of a pupil going through some specific challenges.

In English they have been pleased with the work on characters from A Christmas Carol and they have been brushing up on their evidence gathering skills, to explore how characters are portrayed through descriptive language. They have also been discussing the effects on alcohol and smoking in science, leading to some creative posters outlining the dangers of obesity. Animal Rights and the impact on the environment was also a big theme this week as students learnt about the consequences caused by large scale animal farming.

The class have been out and about too. Last Friday they spent the morning in Newcastle, visiting the market and an Asian Supermarket, where they purchased a range of interesting foods to try. This week they stayed local and visited the nearby shop and then made hot chocolate, ready for the class discussion about living in the community.

Overall, it has been a productive week, with students demonstrating enthusiasm, positivity and empathy