

North Star News

Christmas Edition

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Gea?

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Alfie's Game of the
Month!

...and loads more!

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CHRISTMAS



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A NORTH STAR



North Star News!



North Star 240 welcomes Mrs Grayson as the new head teacher!

Classes battle it out for the prize of best decorated classroom, with Gemini prevailing as the winners!

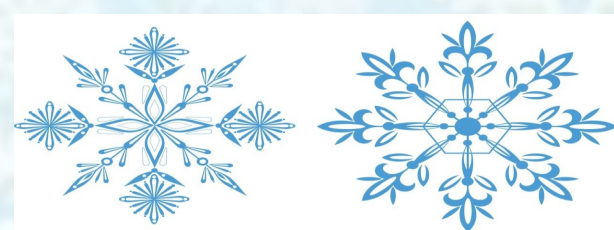
Students and staff return to the playground and a brief absence for more gripping games of football at break and lunch!

North Star 240 engage in a classic 5-5 draw over three games with Aspire Academy, with Vinny Gollege-Pickin with the pick of the goals after kneeing the ball in without knowing!

Forest School hots up with games of manhunt, dens being built and Crumpets being fried!

Bristol Works and the army take over the kitchen, cooking up a beautiful selection of Samosas and Lemon Drizzle Cake!

North Star host Covid-secure parent's evening with staff and students in high attendance!



Christmas traditions

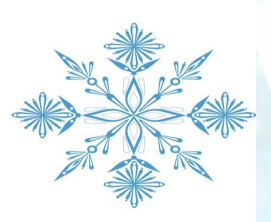
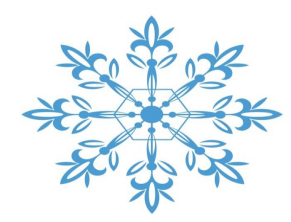
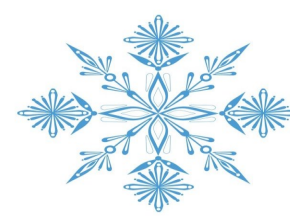
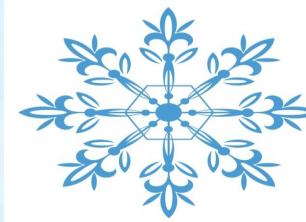
Around the World



The **Krampus Parade**, Austria.
In Alpine folklore, who during the Christmas season scares children who have misbehaved, assisting Saint Nicholas. The pair visit children on the night of the 5th December, and Saint Nicholas rewards the well-behaved children with gifts such as oranges, dried fruit, walnuts and chocolate whilst the badly behaved ones only receive punishment and steals their presents.



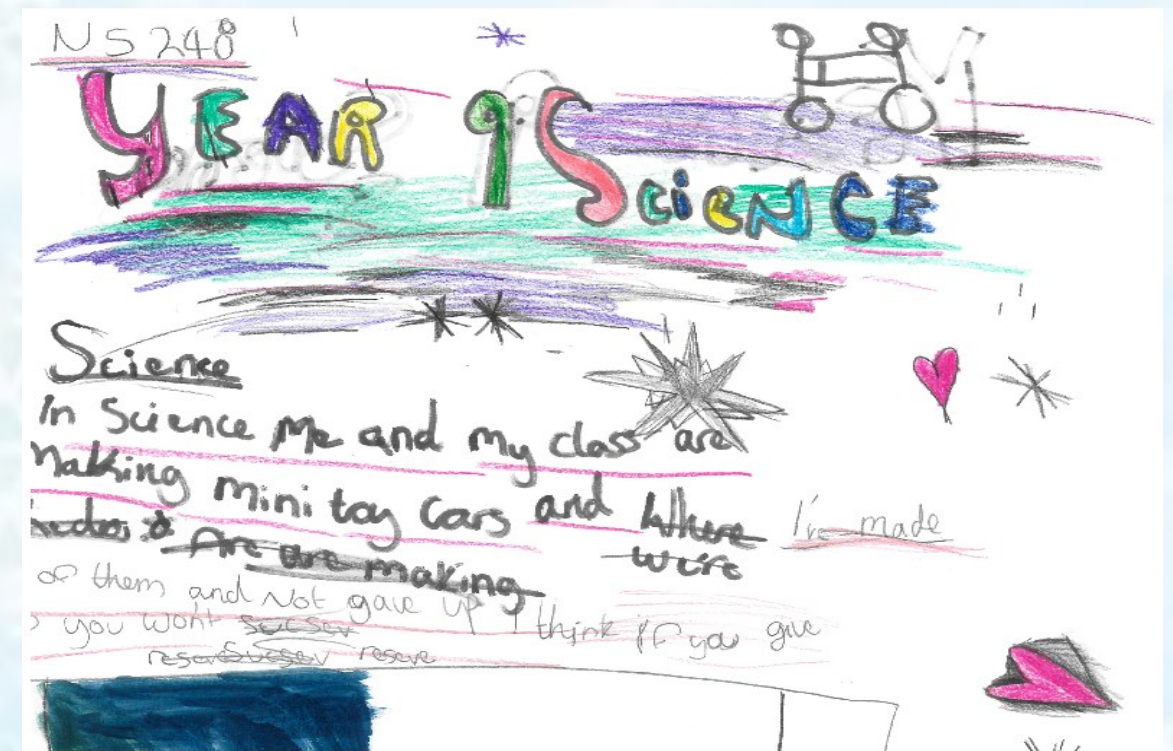
The **Tió de Nadal**, The Spanish Christmas Log, is a character in Catalan mythology. The story goes that in the days preceding Christmas, children must take good care of the log, keeping it warm and feeding it, so that it will defecate



Courtney's Column

NS240 Year 9 Science

In Science me and my class are making mini toy cars and I've made one of them and not given up. I think if you give up you won't succeed.



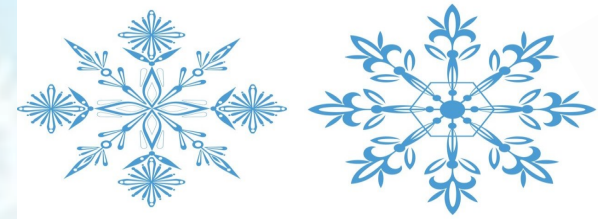
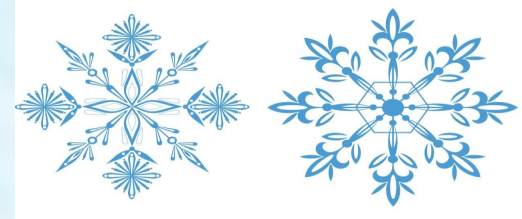
Molly's Mega Mansion

My name is Molly and I am obsessed with looking and watching videos of mega mansions. When I am older I want to become a real estate agent and sell houses and make money to look after my family. The types of houses that i like are modern massive houses like this one...



In this mega mansion, called The One, there are so many features: a private nightclub, several art galleries, 7 water features, 27 bedrooms, 46 bathrooms, 100 seater movie theatre, 4 lane bowling alley, 4 kitchens but one of them is a chef's kitchen, tennis courts, guest house, mini golf, salon and all of this cost about \$500 million.

It was built in Bellaire California by Nile Naomi and it took ten years to build. In fact, it is still being completed now. Nile Naomi hopes to sell the mansion when it is finished.



What is said to be the **largest floating Christmas** tree in the world has been unveiled in **Rio de Janeiro**.

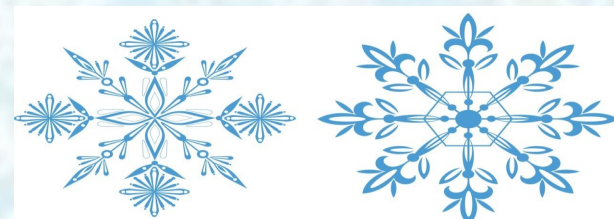
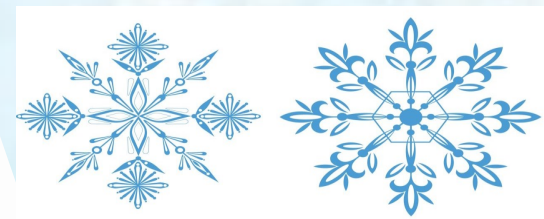
Thousands gathered around the Rodrigo de Freitas lake to watch the tree, which is 85m (280ft) high and weighs



A Christmas street market associated with the celebration of Christmas during the four weeks of Advent. These markets originated in **Germany**, but are now held in



Some countries have the tradition of leaving shoes out either on their window sill or by the chimney in the hope Father Christmas will come and fill them with treats. Countries including Iceland, Spain and Brazil do this.



Alfie's Game of the Month



ROBLOX



Description:

Roblox is a gaming platform where users can create their own games for other users of the game to play and enjoy. There are thousands of games on there, all packed into 1 platform.



Good Points:

Never get bored (1000s of games to be played).

Good accessibility, you can play it on XBOX, Mobile Phone and Computer.

Multiplayer – can play cross-platform with people all over the world!



Bad Points:

Not all of the games are available on XBOX.

The in-game chat isn't available on XBOX consoles.

Roblox can not be downloaded on PlayStation.

The connection quality sometimes drops out but that may just be connection!

Pizza Express lasagne: 1/5

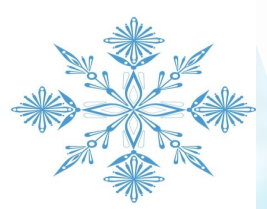
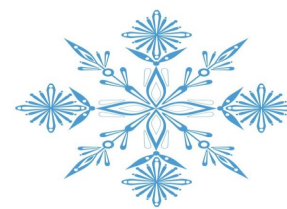
On Thursday the 19th of November, some of us students from KS4 went to Pizza Express as a reward for our hard work. Mr Lewis recommended I get the lasagne because it is a 'thing of beauty'. We both love lasagne so he should have been right. I decided to order the lasagne but Mr Lewis was wrong!

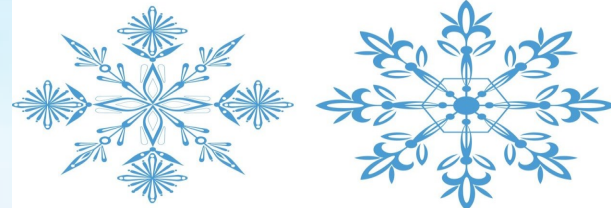
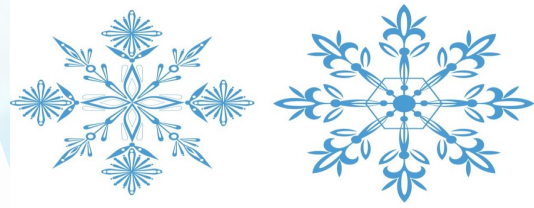
To start with it looked like soup. When I lifted up the layers of pasta I found nothing but more pasta and runny sauce. There was no meat! Ms White kept telling me the meat would be under the next layer but my dream never came true. I lifted up the last layer of pasta and my spoon went 'ding'. My lasagne was gone.

I was forced to complain because the monstrosity was £13 pounds and even the cheese sauce was abysmal. Luckily, they gave me a free dessert and refunded the money for the lasagne.

I won't be going back to Pizza Express or listening to Mr Lewis' advice ever again.

By Kira

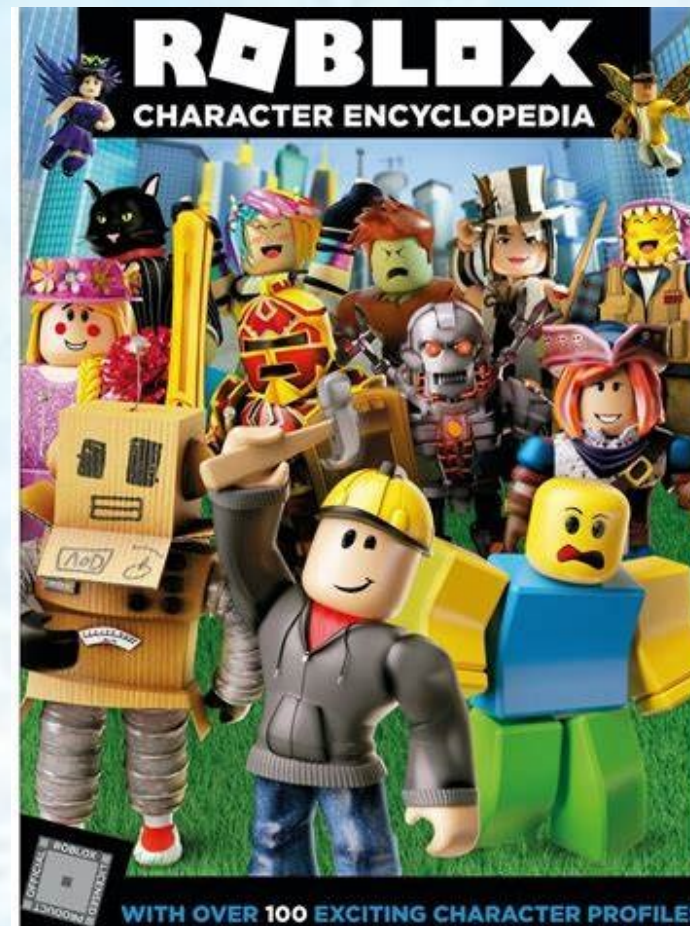




The snow man in the igloo

This is the story of a snowman. This snow man lived in an igloo in a snowy field in December. But, every night a group of children would come to the field and destroy the igloo but in the day a group of other children from the Landlots family would come and rebuild it. The snow man was so grateful he left a basket full of fruit until the snow faded away and so did the snow-man. The End.

By Vinny
Perseus class



Difficulty:

7/10

Dependent on the game within the program being played and who you are playing against.

The game is never rank based so all users can play against all quality of opponents.

Price: 10/10

-FREE!

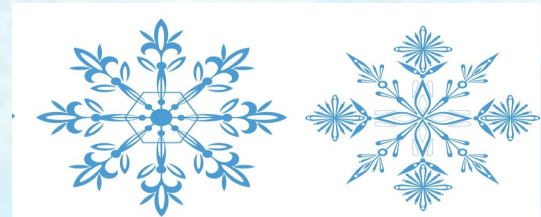
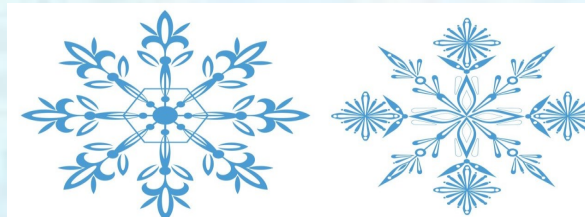
- In game currency can be used to buy things within the mini-games
- Can also buy a game pass.



Graphics: 8/10

Dependent on the game
Often Cartoon style quality.

BEST FEATURE – Roblox is free and there are 1000s of games!!!



Football Player Profile



David Quintana De Gea



David de Gea is the Spanish superstar who earned a dream move to Manchester United and proved himself to be our best goalkeeper since the legendary Peter Schmeichel. David has had setbacks in the past but has kept Utd in the race for trophies through the years and he is the 'goat'.

De Gea statistics:

He's made over 400 appearances for Utd
124 clean sheets
191 wins
74 losses
He's made over 461 saves (4 penalty saves).
Punched the ball away from the



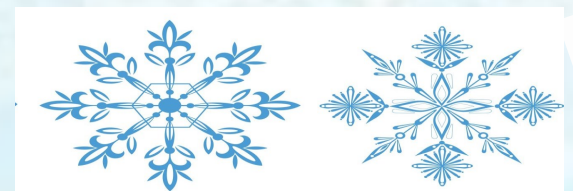
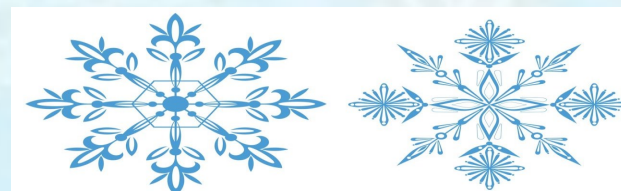
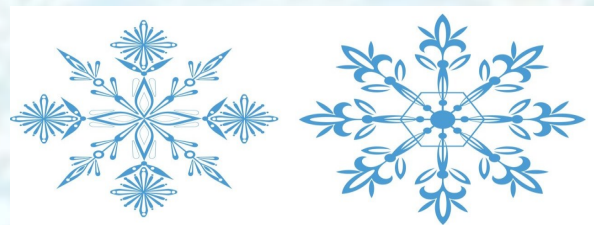
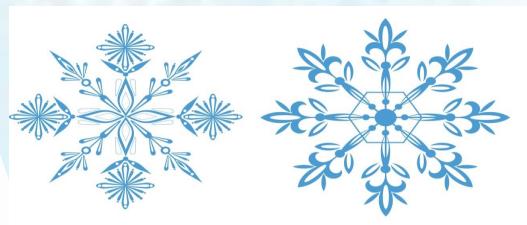
Early Life:

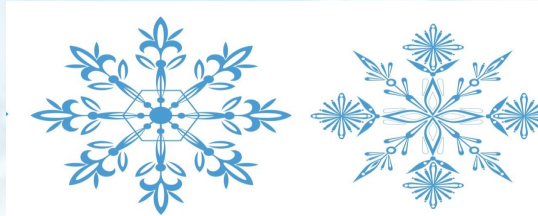
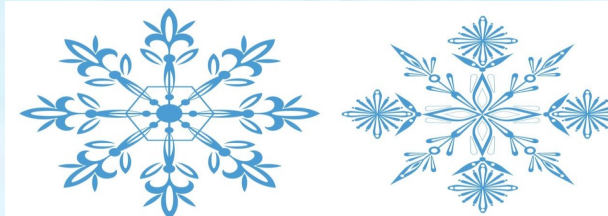
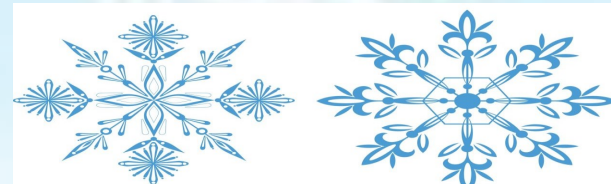
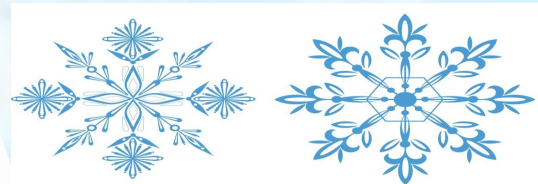
He was born Afceti (Spain). David was raised by his mum and dad, who was a retired goalkeeper for a team in the lower leagues of Spain. As a kid his father put a little goal in the living room, letting David put oven gloves on as a goalkeeper gloves, his dad was aware that at a young age David had some real talent.

A poem by Syler

You were my first love
I would of done anything for you
If you asked
When we were together
It was the only thing keeping me upright
But when I found out
You were in love with another
It hurt and I was the one
To break away
But the second time around I knew
You would do it again
You said he was like a brother to you
But that was a lie
I blocked you out of my life
But you keep coming back every few months
The memories hurt
But I always message back
Because if I didn't
You would stop sending them
And I don't want that

By Syler





NorthStar 240 Antibullying Lyric



Feeling like the victim, sad and alone
Thrown in the river, sink like a stone
Living in the dark, full of fear
Every day I shed a tear



Dig my grave, hole in the dirt
Suffocate, aggravate, asphyxiate, hurt
The bully is the criminal living at large
The law is the one that's really in charge



What can I do to saver them from the pain?
To keep blood in the veins and down the drain
Is this a game or a cycle to break?
All of this leads to fear and heartache

Is it our job to raise the alarm?
This is an issue we need to disarm
If we don't do we need to disrespect?
Not anymore, its pure neglect



The message is clear, we're better than before
Stamp out bullying for ever more.

Early Career:

David used to play indoor Futsal with his mates, hitting the ball as hard as they could at him in goal, but his concentration meant he never let the ball into the net. His dad would often say to him in the car to continue the family history and become a goalkeeper.

Scouts would come week after week to watch David play for his small-town club, as months went by he thought maybe they didn't want him. Eventually the club contacted Atletico Madrid saying that lots of scouts were after him (even if it was a little lie) but it was worth it. A scout came down straight away and bought him, they were impressed he could read the game so well.



De Gea and his teammates:

He has had many great teammates at Utd including close personal Spanish friend, Ander Herrera, who left for PSG. Fellow Spaniard Juan Mata is also still at the club and recently 5 times Champions League winner Cristiano (SIUUUU) Ronaldo has re-joined the club.

Did you know?

David De Gea is the Goat (greatest of all time). He even made 14 saves in one game against Arsenal. One Arsenal fan after the game even said 'For God's sake that man could save the Tiatanic!'.



By Kelvin

Nathan's Movie of the Month



Home Alone 2: Lost in New York



Genre: Comedy/Thriller.

Premise of the Movie:

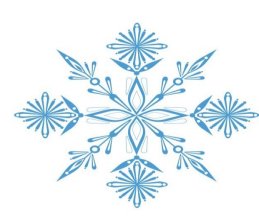
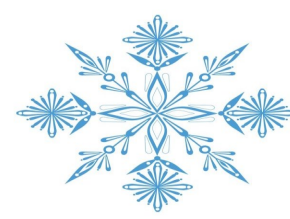
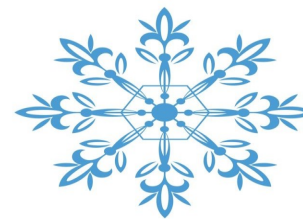
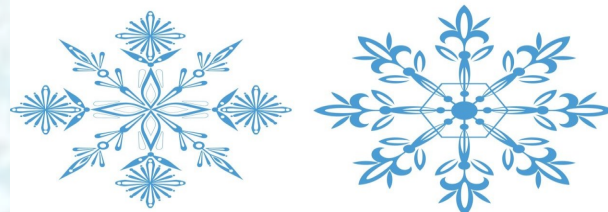
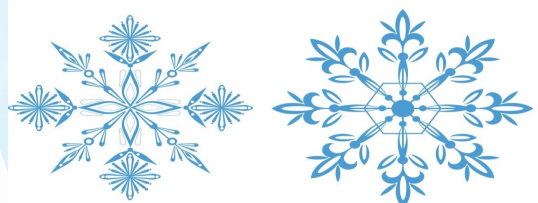
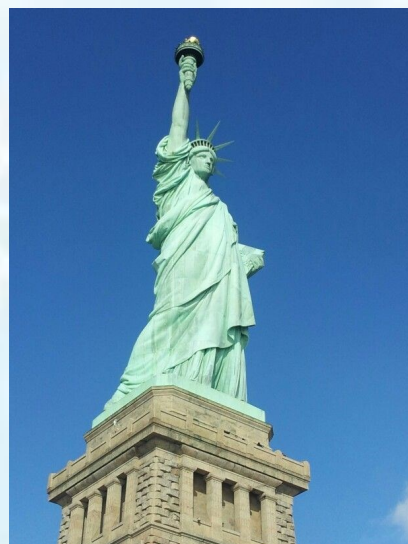
The film is a follow on from the successful 'Home Alone' movie featuring Kevin McAllister.

In Home Alone 2: Lost in New York Kevin tries to board a plane with his family, managing to get to the Airport unlike the first movie.

Kevin Follows the wrong person and boards a plane to New York on his own.

While in New York he is surprised to see the very same Burglars that attempted to burgle him in the first movie.

Fresh out of Prison, the burglars will stop at nothing to get their revenge on Kevin,



Storyline: 9.5/10 – Good comedy.

Visual effects: 7/10 – Movie is quite dated.

Quality of Acting: 10/10 – Kevin McAllister, good comedy timing.

Scenery: 8/10 – Not bad, could be better. The inclusion of Donald Trump was not needed.

How Christmassy is it? 10/10 – Lots of snow and Christmas decorations.

Worst Feature of the film: The cameo of Donald Trump.

