

**Reception -**

This week in EYFS we have been continuing to explore and learn in our new surroundings. All children have now been given their reading diaries and books. Please can parents read daily with their children and put your child's reading diary and 2 books back in their bags daily.

Next week we are starting our first topic of the year which is 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'. Please feel free to read this story over the weekend with your child and talk about the story.

Once again, if you have not yet sent in wellies or PE bags can you please do so by Monday, many thanks.

**Year 1 -**

This week in Year 1 we have been learning a lot about the human body. We learnt about naming body parts and human bones too. This led us to look at the book 'Funny Bones'. In English the children had to order illustrations from the story correctly and write a sentence underneath. The children have also learnt to tell/act out the first part of the story to help them when writing the story next week.

In Maths we have been learning about 2D shapes and they built a 2D paper house in their Maths Books.

Many thanks to all who donated boxes for our Funnybones display, we really appreciate your support.

**HOMEWORK**

Reading: at least 4 times a week and reading diary signed and dated.

**Year 2 -**

This week in Year 2 we learnt about the Great Plague using role play and drama activities. We discovered red crosses on our classroom doors and rats (toy ones) on our tables and chairs. Some of us developed red spots and became quite unwell and we met a 'plague doctor' who asked us to find out about the terrible disease.

We looked for information in books and used the search engine 'Google' during computing to answer our questions.

We also completed comprehension tasks about the plague and wrote a piece of information text about the events that took place in 1665.

In Maths we continued learning about partitioning numbers into tens and ones, e.g. 64 is 6 tens and 4 ones. We practised our skills and then applied our knowledge to money. We learnt to partition different amounts using 10p and 1p coins eg 34p = 30p + 4p

Some of us also found alternative ways of partitioning amounts of money

e.g. 34p = 10p+10p+10p + 4p

We also found out about odd and even numbers and used cubes to work out whether a number was odd or even. We discovered that however big the number the last digit always indicated if it is odd or even.

### **Homework**

Reading is homework and the children should be reading to an adult at least 4 times a week, and reading diaries signed and dated. Please make sure that your child is doing this as it makes a considerable difference to their progress in reading, particularly if they talk and answer questions about what they have read.

**Spellings:** as explained in the letter stapled into book diaries, written below are the phoneme/graphemes that the children will be practising next week. Please practise these at home too.

### **Sycamore:**

Cheetahs (Team 1) suffix ed - e.g. suffix ed dreamed needed tugged

Lions (Team 2) ur e.g. ur church burst turnip

Tigers (Team 3) cvcc - e.g. bank wept tent

### **Willow:**

Cheetahs - suffix ed - e.g. cleaned bored fizzed

Giraffes - ur e.g. burn lurch disturb

Elephants - ing e.g. sting bring thing