

Year R -

In Reception this week we have continued to find out facts about the dinosaurs using non-fiction books and online resources. We have used this information as a stimulus for writing activities. We are working hard in our daily phonic sessions and are learning different digraphs (A **digraph** is a pair of letters that make one sound) and trigraphs (A **trigraph** is a single sound that is represented by three letters) which we enjoy spotting in the words. When reading with your child see how many they can spot!

After participating in problems based on subtraction, we are learning to record our ideas and explain them to other people which helps us to understand this concept further.

We hope you have a lovely weekend,

The EYFS Team

Homework

Please remember to read at least 4 times a week with your child and please fill in your child's diary when they have read at home so they have a chance of winning the reading challenge.

Year 1 -

This week Year 1 have focused on the story 'The Hackney Martian' by Paul Brown. They began with ordering pictures from the story and writing about the events that took place. The children then took part in an English cross curricular with Geography lesson, where they plotted places on a map of London and used positional language to describe the location. Following this they created their own story maps in the style of 'The Hackney Martian', and wrote these maps into full sentences to create a story. Their writing was very imaginative and fun to read!

In Maths this week we have been looking at addition as 'counting on' and subtraction as 'counting back', focusing on number sentences where a number is missing but the answer is given.

The Year 1 classes also took part in a lovely History lesson, where they learnt about a famous person from the past. The focus person was Beatrix Potter. The children enjoyed learning all about her life and reading stories such as Peter Rabbit and The Tale of Jemima Puddle-Duck.

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Year 2 -

In Maths this week we have been continuing to practise adding and subtracting 2 digit numbers. We have also been recapping how to solve word problems particularly division word problems. We looked for key words in the problem and ensured that we recorded the sum to accompany the problem before solving it.

In English this week we read, as a class, the story of The Litter Queen. We discussed the main events of the story and searched for different sentence and word types e.g. nouns, noun phrases and conjunctions. After analysing the story, we had a go at improving an extract by adding more exciting

language and more description. We have also read a book review of the story and have written our own book review.

In PSHE we have been continuing our topic of Healthy Me. We have learnt about different food groups and understand what we need to eat a lot of, some of or very little of to have a healthy diet.

**** REQUEST ****

We are asking for donations of small (500ml) empty plastic bottles for a project the children will be doing about litter next week. Each child will need their own bottle so if you have more than one bottle to donate we would be very grateful!

Congratulations to Cherry and Rowan who won the Reading Homework Challenge. We hope that they enjoy their special reward. Well done to all those children in Year 2 who did their homework.

Homework

Reading is homework and the children should be reading to an adult **at least 4/5 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:

Written below are the phonemes/graphemes/words that the children will be practising next week. Please practise these at home too.

Alternative spellings for the ur / or / e / w phoneme (sound)

E.g. hurt burn turning

For paws August

Wild when witch

Dread bet stretch