

Year 2 ~ Weekly News

Friday 23rd October 2009

Although we encourage the children to come into class on their own in the mornings we would like you to feel welcome to come in and speak to us if you have any worries, questions or concerns!

Literacy

This week in Literacy children have been focusing on using the correct punctuation and have been doing various activities to help them remember when to use capital letters and a range of punctuation (full stops, exclamation marks, question marks and ellipsis). We have also been encouraging the children to say the sentences out loud before they write the sentences to make sure they make sense before writing.

After half term we will be starting a new unit of work in Literacy. We will be reading a Roald Dahl story throughout the first week and will be describing the characters, looking at the dialogue which has been used and evaluated the stories. Children will also be predicting what they think will happen in a story and use role play to show their predictions. You could ask your child how they think a character might behave later on in a story.

Maths

This week in Maths the children have been learning about money. They have been ordering the value of coins and learning about the relationship between pence and pound. They have also been solving real life word problems about money and at the end of the week they have opened up a shop by deciding which objects they will sell and how much they will be sold for. They then purchased the objects by counting out the correct amount of money. You could support your child at home by asking them to use coins to count out certain amounts of money or asking them to add the value of coins.

After half term the children will be comparing length, masses and capacities. They will also be sorting objects in Carroll diagrams with 1 or 2 criterion.

Topic

In our topic work the children have created a fact sheet about Florence Nightingale on the computers. They have also used maps to locate different countries where famous people come from. The children enjoyed their DT day where they pretended they were famous musicians and made a musical instrument.

After half term our topic will be 'Guy Fawkes'. We will be learning about the Great Fire of London and Guy Fawkes. During the term we will also be doing work on Remembrance Day.

Science

This week in Science the children have been sorting living and non-living objects. After half term our science topic will be Electricity.

Other Information:

- Please could you make sure that your child has a water bottle in school every day.
- We will be sending PE kits home to be washed in half term - please could these be returned on MONDAY - thanks.
- PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE could you make sure that all your children's clothing is named!

Many Thanks and Best Wishes,

Miss Wright and Miss Barnett