

Year 2 Newsletter

Waddington and West Bradford Primary School
Friday 23rd September 2022

Hello everyone. Here is information about our learning this week.

Maths - Further work on place value has continued this week on place value as this is a key building block for secure understanding in maths. We have been comparing numbers to 100 using the vocabulary greater than, less than and equal to, then using the mathematical signs for greater than ($>$), less than ($<$) and equal to ($=$). Understanding $=$, equal to can be a common misconception and pupils can find the idea $56 = 56$ more tricky than expected. We have also looked at comparing and completing sentences such as four tens and seven ones is _____ $70 + 8$ using the language and mathematical signs discussed. We have also counted in 2s, 5s and 10s forwards and backwards from different starting points.

English - Our work this week has continued with our text *The way home for Wolf*. The focus has been the collection and discussion of new vocabulary in detail, using it in lots of speaking and drama activities. Some of our new vocabulary includes; clambered, tundra, pursuit, bellow, exhausted, shimmering moon, magical and majestic. The children will be encouraged to use this vocabulary in their writing.

Science - The children are able to identify a range of materials and we are now focusing on the properties of those materials using appropriate vocabulary - rigid / flexible, absorbent/waterproof, opaque/transparent, rough/smooth, hard/soft. We have looked at everyday objects and discussed why the materials used to make them are suitable or unsuitable. This was recorded in a scientific chart.

Geography - After looking at a variety of photographs and identifying physical and human features (beach, river, mountain, forest / road, castle, farm, church) we went outside to the playground to identify physical and human features in the surroundings. We then recorded this in drawings and labels.

PSHE - The children have been discussing the different emotions we feel, how we can look at peoples expressions to work out how someone is feeling and how each one of us can manage our feelings and help other. We have discussed these at various points in the week as different situations arise.

Well done to everyone for their fantastic effort on our sponsored walk. We were very lucky with the weather and everyone had a good time.

Please send your sponsor money into school as soon as possible.



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Homework

Homework this week is Maths and Spelling.

The maths is about ordering and comparing numbers. The spelling is a wordsearch activity with clues to read. Wordsearches are a good activity to help children track letters to find words and helps with reading skills. The activity sheets are already stuck in the homework books.

- As the weather is becoming more changeable please make sure your child brings a coat to school so that we can go outside to complete learning activities.
- Please send in a pair of trainers or wellies that can be kept in school for when we complete the Daily Mile. PLEASE REMEMBER TO NAME THESE AND SEND THEM IN A CARRIER BAG.
- Also please send in a colouring book for your child so they have an activity to do when it is a wet playtime and the children cannot go out.

Next Week

Monday 26th September - European Day of Languages

Next Monday we will be completing some activities to celebrate this event. Each class is learning about a different language and Year 2 will be learning some SLOVAKIAN.



MacMillan Coffee Morning

This will take place between 10-11am on Friday 30th September, hosted by Year 4. The children may bring £1 to buy cake at playtime.
NO CAKES WITH NUTS please, e.g walnut cake.

