

<u>Maths</u>

Throughout the term the children have worked extremely hard continuing to develop their knowledge of two topics; addition and subtraction along with multiplication and division. The children have learnt to add and subtract 3 and 4 digits using the column method. Using this method to answer a variety of challenging problems. In the second part of this term, we have developed our knowledge of multiplying and dividing. Amazingly, the children have been using times tables all the way up to 12x12! We have also been homing in on our instant recall of our timetables.

<u>English</u>

Throughout this term the children have been focusing particularly on their punctuation. Start with the basics of full stops and capital letters to commas and apostrophes before learning to correctly write punctuated speech. The class have also been filling up their vocab by learning to extend and add detail to sentences using conjunctions, prepositions and adverbs. We then used these skills to write a story following on from out class book Grimwood by Nadia Shireen *(stocking filler idea)*. The class worked hard to develop an adventurous plot that included several characters that they had created themselves. Throughout the story they aimed to include perfect punctuation, speech and plenty of conjunctions, prepositions and adverbs.

The class have also worked hard to start to join or improve their handwriting. There has been a massive improvement in presentation and some children will be ready to start using a pen in the new year.



Foundation subjects

We've had a huge amount of fun learning about rocks, soils and fossils in science. Over the past 8 weeks we have learnt how rocks are formed, eroded and used. As well as investigating different soils and learning to process of fossilisation.

In PE this term we have been developing our skills in cheerleading and hockey.

In Geography this term we have been learning all about rivers. The children now know all the main features of a river, how a river is formed, changes that happen overtime, the water cycle and what a river is like at the coast or mouth.

In DT the class have being learning about healthy eating, particularly snacking. The children then designed and created healthy snacks in groups whilst considering the sugar

content. This class loved this unit of work and certainly enjoyed eating their snacks!



There is plenty that I couldn't fit on here but I'm sure you'll agree its been a very action pack term. The children certainly deserve a break to enjoy making memories over the Christmas period. Thank you all for your support, cards and gifts, I hope you have a lovely holiday. I look forward to hearing all about the exciting things you have been up to when we return.