



# Pedar's Weekly Review



Friday 16th November 2018

## English

As we have continued to work on poetry this week the children have enjoyed the poem 'A Sea Creature ate our Teacher'. We trialled our first dictation this term with surprisingly good results; the children's spelling is definitely improving! We looked at the language used in the poem and they summarised each stanza through pictorial representation. We then changed the poem to 'A Supermarket Creature ate our Teacher' and, following the same structure, the children have written 5 of their stanzas for the poem, describing the look and smell of the creature as it appears from behind the cat food and swallows up their teacher. The children have been using thesauruses and dictionaries to improve their choice of words and come up with some exciting language for their poetry.

## Maths

The children have continued to work on multiplication this week, challenging each other with sums of three digit numbers multiplied by units, tens and hundreds. They have also been looking at different ways of representing multiplication: as patterns of dots, as addition sentences (for example  $4 \times 5 = 5 + 5 + 5 + 5$ ) and showing the reverse multiplication of a number sentence  $5 \times 6 = 6 \times 5$  and alternative number sentences for the same product ( $30 \times 1$ ,  $15 \times 2$ ,  $1 \times 30$ ,  $2 \times 15$ ). Using their knowledge of multiplication, they have been answering increasingly challenging reasoning problems.

## Enrichment

This week we have looked at machines and inventions through history from early stone tools dating back to 400 million years BC to the invention of 'Minecraft' in 2009 and the robot in 2013. The children drew their own historical timelines and chose what machines and inventions to represent on them. We talked about dates BC and AD and how to correctly order dates along a timeline from past to present. We haven't yet mastered the scale of a timeline so we didn't get hung up on that for the time being.

## Messages

The BSA are looking for volunteers to help run Christmas Capers stalls 2-4.30pm. Please contact them via them via [bsa@bourn.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:bsa@bourn.cambs.sch.uk) if you are able to help. Many thanks.

Due to the cake donations needed for Christmas Capers, the monthly BSA cake sale will be held next **Friday, 23rd November, run by Class Rosewood**. We hope you will stop by after school for some delicious treats. Thank you for your support!

## Home Learning and Test Results

<b>Maths:</b> Multiplication Reasoning and Problem Solving Part 2	<b>Spelling Results:</b>	/10
<b>Times Tables:</b> T/Table Mix (2,4,5,8,10) for Friday 16/11	<b>Times Table Test:</b>	/10