



Cedar



Weekly Review

Week Ending 26th September 2014

NOTES FROM THE TEACHER

The children have created an imaginative array of Christmas card designs to be sent off to the printer – clearly the late summer weather hasn't caused any lack of festive inspiration! We enjoyed Class Cherry's assembly today about Kipling's Just So stories and the children loved hearing more about them from the Year 5s during our Reading Buddies time.

Mr Edwards

English

The children have enjoyed exploring the story *Stealing the Sun*, finding out how the hero Mokele recovered the sun from its captivity at the hands of the thief Chief Mokulaka. Inspired by this tale, the children imagined their own heroes and thought about what could have been stolen from them. They used the Nature Reserve to identify the thief in their story and gained clues to what their motivation could have been. Based on these ideas, the children planned and wrote their own stories. I have been incredibly impressed by the sophistication of their ideas and their writing.

Please ask your child to tell you all about their story!

Maths

The children have been learning to interpret and solve word problems for addition. They have been able to choose from a range of mental and written strategies to help them solve the problem and answer the question. We have thought carefully about different ways that calculations apply to real-life situations, and the children have used number sentences to denote what is happening in different situations. We have also begun to learn different methods for subtraction. First, we realised that subtraction was the opposite, or inverse, of addition and then we used number lines and the column method to hone our written subtraction skills.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Monday 13th Oct: Parent Consultations
- Wednesday 15th Oct: Parent Consultations
- Monday 20th Oct: Parent Consultations
- Wednesday 22nd Oct: Parent Consultations
- 27th Oct – 3rd Nov: Half Term (school closed 3rd November)

HOMEWORK

- MATHS:** Children are to practise subtraction.
- ENGLISH:** Children practised their use of the past tense.
- Times Tables:** Children will be tested on Friday. The times table the children need to learn can be found stuck into the back of their Maths homework book.
- Spellings:** Given out with English homework, tested on Friday.

RETURN SLIP Please sign and return this slip on Monday.

