



Weekly Review



Friday 25th January 2013

We have enjoyed beginning work on our class assembly this week. Due to all the cold weather recently we have chosen the theme of 'Winter' for our assembly. The children have enjoyed creating props during our Art sessions that we will be using linked to snow and ice sculpture. If you have any photographs of anything your child has created with all the recent snow please send them in on a CD or memory stick so that I can include them in a power point for our assembly. Thank you.

Mrs Davidson

Literacy

The class really enjoyed completing their stories based on 'Whatever Next!' by Jill Murphy. All sorts of animals have travelled in rockets and spaceships to a variety of planets.

We have also introduced the children to nonsense poetry this week. They heard a recording of 'Ning, Nang, Nong' by Spike Milligan and then really enjoyed performing the poem in small groups adding in actions and changes in their tone of voice. This will be the starting point of a unit of work on nonsense poems. If you have any poetry books at home that you would like to share please send them in.

Numeracy

Our focus this week has been on place value, ensuring the children have a secure understanding of tens and units and how we can partition numbers, eg
 $56=50+6$, $98=90+8$

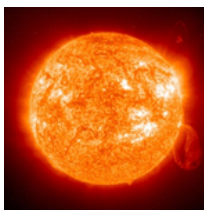
The children first used practical apparatus to 'build' the number and then recorded their 2 digit and 3-digit numbers as above. We then moved on to different strategies of adding numbers, focussing particularly on counting on from the largest number.

We asked the class to look out to see which house numbers are odd and even on the way home!
even (ending in 0,2,4,6,8) odd (ending in 1,3,5,7,9)

Enrichment Curriculum

With a launch off to the moon imminent the children have been investigating the science of light and dark. The children identified sources of light and drew out important vocabulary to use when describing light and how it can be reflected. The children then went on to look at what darkness is and how images of world change as the light goes out. We will link these ideas to the changing faces of the moon and begin to explore our nearest neighbour in detail.

Homework



For your homework can you find out one interesting fact about the sun that you could share with the class! You can use this sheet to display your answer, or you can use your artistic skills to display your information. Please ensure your homework is no larger than A4 size.

**Topic Homework to be returned to school by
Tuesday 29th January**

Notices

Due to the very cold weather we have a lot more items of clothing and footwear in our cloakroom than usual. Please can you ensure that all items are clearly labelled, including gloves, hats and wellies.

This will save us lots of time at the end of the day looking for matching pairs! Thank you.

Thank you

Best wishes Mrs Davidson