



Pedar's Weekly Review



Friday 23rd November 2018

English

We have started to look at imagery in poetry this week and the importance of language to create images in the reader's minds. We have done more work spotting adjectives and adverbs in fiction and non-fiction texts and using them in our own writing to generate sentences that are more powerful. We have introduced 'expanded noun phrases' to our vocabulary and the children are beginning to both recognise and use these in their written work. We have been working on the poem 'Daddy Fell into the Pond' and appreciating how the language used creates a picture in our mind that may contain details, that are not written in the text, but that are assumed or interpreted from what we have read so far. The children have been drawing their images.

Maths

I have been challenging the children's way of thinking about multiplication this week by giving them some reasoning problems to solve involving a combination of number sentences, pictorial representations and word problems. They have been looking at different ways of representing multiplication, breaking it up into different multiples of addition for example $6 \times 8 = 4 \times 8 + 2 \times 8$ and using the $<$, $>$ and $=$ sign to write number sentences involving multiplication. This has really challenged some of them but it has sparked some very nice class discussions and cemented their learning.

Enrichment

This week we have been looking at the invention of the telephone. We have discussed how people's lives would have been prior to its invention by thinking about the impact of not being able to make telephone calls on our own lives. We have appreciated the importance of collaboration and partnership in creating inventions by looking at how Alexander Bell needed the help of mechanic Thomas Watson to invent the telephone, as he knew very little about electricity himself. We also discussed and shared our views on what qualities are needed to be a good inventor.

Messages

Next week is the last week for afterschool clubs, there will be no clubs running in December. The BSA are still looking for volunteers to help run Christmas Capers stalls 2-4.30pm. Please contact them via them via bsa@bourn.cambs.sch.uk if you are able to help. Many thanks. Christmas play performances are being held on Tuesday afternoon 11/12 and Wednesday evening 12/12.

Home Learning and Test Results

Maths: Using bar modelling to solve word problems

Spelling Results: /10

Times Tables: 50 Times Table for Friday 30/11

Times Table Test: /10