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Newsletter – 29th January 2021 Class News

Class One



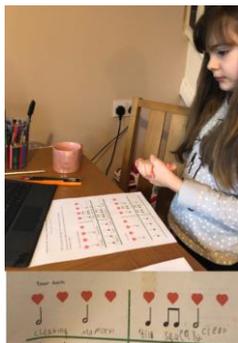
In class 1 this week we have shared the story of 'Emma Jane's Aeroplane'. We enjoyed listening for the rhyming words in the text, drawing story maps and applying our phonic skills in our independent writing. We have found out about air travel and looked at countries around the world on a map. I continue to be so proud of how hard all the children are working at home. They are little stars!

Class Two



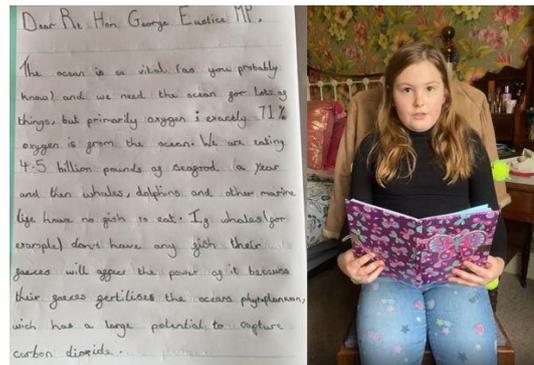
This week we have been thinking about our fears and how we might be able to conquer them just like the character in our new book. In maths, we have been looking at ways to make equal groups of objects. We've also been working on different ways to create space collages and pictures.

Class Three



Class 3 have shown what brilliant writers they are after creating their fantastic instructions for washing a woolly mammoth. Children used catchy rhetorical questions, organisational features and perfect imperative verbs. They suggested using cherry pickers, cake, scary masks and party poppers (to name a few) as methods to get their dirty mammoths in the bath. In Music, children have created simple songs using different beats and composed their own lyrics.

Class Four



This week in Class 4, we wrote our own persuasive letters, persuading the environment minister (Rt Hon Eustice George) that we need to save our oceans from plastic pollution and why. I am so impressed with the effort that Class 4 put into their writing, especially those with the tricky task of writing from home. In science, we have been learning about reflection: what reflection is, what causes it and why it is useful.

Well Done!

STARS OF THE WEEK:

Class 1:

Rueben – for engaging with this week’s story so well and locating its countries on a globe.

Isabel – for the fantastic effort she has been putting in with her independent writing.

Class 2:

Olivia - for working on her targets by completing extra practice for handwriting.

Oscar E - for making great predictions about our new book- Orion and the Dark. He also showed great knowledge of the skills we learnt in our last piece of writing.

Class 3:

Molly - for her superb understanding of measures and being able to compare them between mm, cm and m.

Kyle - for exploring Science through different kits at home. It has been lovely to see all the extra learning you have done.

Class 4:

Riona – for her progress and effort learning about decimals.

Kizzy – for the amazing effort that she put into writing her persuasive letter and her beautiful recitation of it.

Messages

Lockdown Extension

As I am sure you have seen on the news yesterday, the Prime Minister stated that school will not reopen after half term as originally hoped and not before 8th March. This is deeply saddening for us all but we will continue to stick together and get through this. Online learning will continue and please remember to find the balance that works for the family. You have all done so brilliantly supporting your children and maintaining working lives. We are providing a full day of work as a normal school day would be, but children are at home, you are working and it is not the same. The health and wellbeing of the family should always come first.

February Half Term

The DfE announced this week that schools will close as normal for the February half term. There was a question whether they would remain open as in the first lockdown to provide care for the children of critical workers but expectations have been made clear to close schools.

Test and Trace in February Half Term

During the Christmas holidays, parents had to report to school if they had a positive case so we could act regarding bubbles. During the February half term, this will only be the case for children who are attending the critical worker/vulnerable provision on site. You will need to report a positive case if symptoms developed on Saturday 13th or Sunday 14th February using the bursar email. If symptoms develop after Sunday, you should follow isolation procedures and inform school before the reopening date of Monday 22nd February how many days isolation remain.