Dear Parents,

Following the success of last week's poetry week we have continued with the momentum and continued to write our own poems. To help us we have learnt about alliteration and onomatopoeia! The onomatopoeia ones were so successful we went to the ICT suite and typed them up ready to be displayed in the classroom!

Next week we shall be continuing with poetry, writing acrostics with letters from our names. This week we started a new class book called The Incredible Journey. This is the story of how two dogs and a cat travel across Canada back to their owners and home. It got off to an exciting start when the brave cat fought off a bear and her cub!

I'm linking the book and the story of their journey to our topic and how a journey with a special purpose is a 'pilgrimage' and how this links to the Pilgrims' Way as people a long time ago travelled to Canterbury. I studied Chaucer's Canterbury Tales for A level and remain pretty sure the content isn't Year 2 appropriate!

In Maths we have been either Reasoning and Problem Solving using addition and subtraction or using 'exchange' when subtracting to count back over the 10s (swapping a tens rod for 10 ones in order to continue counting back). This will be continuing next week to ensure the children are secure before moving on.

In topic we used PE hoops set out in a 4x5 grid on the field. Inside each one was a OS map symbol and they had to follow my directions through the grid and record where they were at each point. The class were so good that the following day I challenged them to create their own set of directions, check them and have a friend follow them through the grid. - Most were very accurate!

Next week, don't forget we have an INSET day on Friday. Have a lovely weekend,

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