

Dear Parents,

I hope you all enjoyed half term. Thank you for all the lovely diary writing, I have given out a great many house points! The INSET day on Monday for the teachers was about Outside Learning. This was really useful for me as we begin our 'Fire' topic! I have booked the campfire for the afternoon of the 14th of November. I have Scout Leaders coming to join us, but if any of you would like to come along please let me know. There will be more details about the campfire in next week's update.

This week I introduced the children to the new story that we will be learning to tell. It comes from a book called The Rabbit Who Stole the Fire and it is an old Native American folk tale. This week the children had to predict the ending. I was very impressed at the level of detail they included from the book in their writing.

Next week we will be going to the Library on Tuesday morning. If you are able to walk with us (9.30am -10.40) please let me know as soon as you can.

We have been adding and subtracting tens from two digit numbers. I have introduced the children to the column method and we are using equipment (Base 10 rods and ones) in class to support this. The homework will support this learning, feel free to use the column method with them ensuring you start with the ones each time. This is important for when we move onto exchange next week. This week the homework is double sided, adding on the front, subtraction on the back. Don't feel you have to do all of it, but please do some of each.

We began our Great Fire of London learning and we have sequenced events, imagined ourselves as Samuel Pepys and made some burning house art. Next week I will be giving the children a tea light each -and a marshmallow to toast! If you do not want them to eat this please let me know.

Have a lovely weekend, remember parents evening is Tuesday. I have a few slots left if you haven't returned your form and got your time - I can still fit you in!

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