

Dear Parents,

This week I introduced Malala to the class (not in person, I hasten to add!). I read her book to them and we have begun to learn her story. We have learned about adverbs and adjectives and we are planning to use them to write a story inspired by Malala's book called My Magic Pencil.

In maths we have been learning to divide and to make equal groups.

Now the children have been introduced to the four operations (+, -, x, divide) I will be changing the home work so they build fluency in using jottings to work out their answers. In Year 2 its very important the children can use pictures (jottings) to support their working out because in the SATs they aren't allowed any apparatus that we would normally use in class. I will be holding a meeting at 3.15pm in class on Thursday if you would like to come and have a quick run through of ways to support your child/ren in maths in Year 2. Mrs Shrimpton will be in the hall so all the children can wait in there with her and we can whizz through the methods together. (The children will be dismissed as usual then please come back in if you wish).

If you can't make it, I will be sending home the crib sheet I will be talking through. It's self explanatory but you're welcome to pop in once you've seen it if you have any further questions.

Also next week we shall be performing a science experiment which we need the clear plastic take away cartons for. If you have any spare at home please may you send them in!

Have a lovely weekend,
Mrs Martin

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