

The focus for English this term is reading and specifically reading comprehension. We are building the children's reading stamina (the quantity they read in one sitting) and their understanding of the text through questioning. We are teaching the children the skills of picking out key words in questions, and scanning the text to find the information they need. At the same time we are reiterating to the children what they should do if they don't understand a word or sentence. Many of the children are becoming nice and fluent readers -however (and this is perfectly normal at their stage) they have a tendency to 'read through' things they don't understand! They MUST ASK for clarification of vocabulary, or meaning of what they are reading and understanding. When you hear the children read at home, please question their understanding or pick out a word or phrase and ask 'What does this mean?'.

In Maths we are continuing our work on 2D and 3D shape. The children are learning the names, how many faces, edges, vertices (corners) the shapes have; and also learning how to sort and create repeating patterns using them.

Our Survivor topic is continuing this term and we are focusing on science and properties of materials.

Please remember this Thursday is World Book Day and the children can come dressed as a book character. Please also have a book clear out and send in any for the Book Swap on Thursday!

Thank you for all the notes you write on the homework, it is really useful for me to know which areas you helped with and which they can complete unaided. Please return homework by Wednesday for marking each week.

Have a lovely weekend,

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