

Dear Parents,

This week in maths we have been refreshing our arithmetic skills. We have recapped addition, subtraction, multiplication, division and fractions. Although I have taught these elements all year and used them in Reasoning and Problem Solving activities, I was really encouraged at how well the children coped with straight calculations to solve. Thank you for all the support with the homework as this has really supported the children's upkeep of their skills and understanding.

Next week we will be focusing on Reasoning skills across the range of subject areas we have studied this year. In addition to working out the maths involved if the questions are word based calculations, the children will have a range of questions covering; time, measurement, money, tally charts and pictograms, 3D and 2D shape. The practise will help them draw together everything they have covered so far.

In English we have been studying The Three Little Pigs. We have talked about different features of traditional tales, the vocabulary involved and the repetition in the story. The class changed the traditional story, changing characters and settings and then planned their own story to tell. Tomorrow we shall be writing these, and based on their plans the stories will be fabulous! Next week's focus story is Goldilocks.

Tuesday was a hot day for PE, however we had lots of fun on the field practising our throwing and catching skills. We had to hit targets for points, worked with a partner and really concentrated on focussing on the ball so as to catch or hit it. Some of the catching was incredible -one handed at a run!

Homework is reasoning this week. These questions reflect questions the children have seen so far this year. Please show any working and where they need to, please get them to draw anything on the sheet. This way I can see how they have worked it out.

Have a lovely weekend,

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