

Dear Parents,

Did the children tell you we had a visitor in our class on Monday afternoon? Admiral Lord Horatio Nelson came to tell the class about his life, and unfortunate death, in the British navy. It was a shame I "missed him", I was out waiting for his arrival and by the time I returned he had left! He told the class why he wears an eye patch, how he lost his arm -and what he told the doctor to do with it (cut it off and throw it overboard!)- He told them how he was killed in the battle of Trafalgar and finally, he showed them his statue in Trafalgar Square! We also learnt about the work of the RNLI and had a look at their boats and uniforms.

Next week we shall be learning about the voyages and adventures of Captain James Cook.

In English we have finished learning The Little Mermaid and we performed the story for Mrs Jaggard. She was so inspired she has promised to teach us some music to accompany the story!

We have also learnt about nouns and noun phrases, and how adjectives describe nouns. Next week we will be planning and writing the story of the Little Mermaid, but changing one of the characters throughout.

In maths we have consolidated our understanding of place value and have been counting on and back in 2s, 5s, and 10s from any number. The class have their Times Table Rockstar logs in their Reading Record books, -come and play in the "garage" because I have set the tables for them in this area. Studio and Arena will contain all the tables up to x12-which we need to avoid at this early stage! Over the weeks until Christmas, they will be introduced to x2, x5 and x10.

Have a look on the website for coverage of the English and Maths curriculum. You will find it in our Year 2 page. You will see what I will be teaching this year.

Thank you for the homework, I have double sided the sheet this week, please don't do both sides if your child is struggling. This week the children will be asked to use $< > =$. Just remember to tell them "the crocodile eats the biggest number", and you'll be fine!

Have a nice weekend,
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