

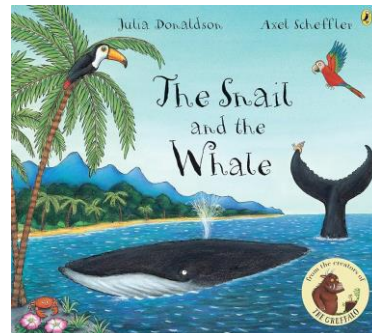
YEAR ONE Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers,

English

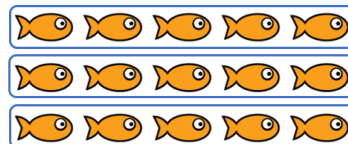
In English this week, we read 'The Snail and the Whale' by Julia Donaldson, which will be our focus book for the next few weeks. The children identified rhyming words in the story and then had to read and sort words from the text into rhyming groups. Next, we sequenced pictures from the book and the children used these to write their own descriptions of the different settings, trying hard to use adjectives to make their descriptions more interesting.



In SPaG, the children practised writing exclamation sentences, which they are now becoming experts at!

Maths

In Maths this week we began by recognising equal groups. The children counted groups of objects and stated whether they were equal or unequal groups. Next, we went on to adding equal groups by using our knowledge of counting up in 2s, 5s and 10s. The children wrote addition number sentences to match pictures of the equal groups.



There are 3 rows of 5
There are 15 altogether.

We also introduced the children to the concept of arrays, where dots (or other images) are formed into rows and columns. The children practised describing different arrays by stating how many rows and columns there were, how many in each row/column and how many dots in total.

RE

In RE, we have continued learning about the Jewish faith. Today, we learnt about the story of David and Goliath. We shared examples of times when we have felt small and had to be brave, like David.

Geography

This week, we looked at aerial views of Leybourne. We used Google Maps to have a virtual walk around the village to see what places, buildings and landmarks we could recognise. Then we picked out different places in the world to virtually visit.

PE

This week we practised our throwing skills. We used the pull throw, underarm throw and the push throw to throw bean bags and balls to partners and then we aimed at hoops, different distances apart. We were then able to gauge which types of throwing techniques were the most accurate for throwing beanbags and balls at a target.





Science

We thought about our sense of touch in science this week. The children had the opportunity to touch various different textures (baked beans, ice, spaghetti, marshmallows and jelly) and describe how they felt. It was a very fun afternoon, which was made even better by a visit from Poppy, Miss Hall's pet snake. The children were able to stroke Poppy and we were all impressed to see how much she had grown since last year!

Phonics

In phonics this week, we have been revisiting the sounds 'o-e' (cone), 'ue' (blue), 'ew' (screw) and 'u-e' (flute). The children have been working hard reading real and pseudo words containing these sounds.

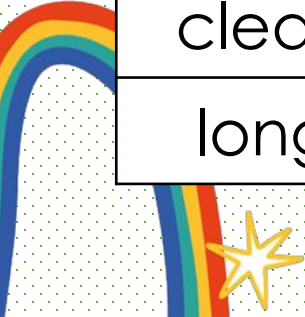
We hope you all have a lovely weekend,
Mrs Mockler, Mrs Robinson, Mrs Millar and Miss Hall



Well done to our Stars of the week, Alexander and Hayley, and to our Bright Spark, Maddie!

Spellings
higher
cleaner
longer
highest
cleanest
longest

Optional spellings	
quicker	lightest
slower	darkest



Science Pictures

