

Year 3 Newsletter

Week beginning: Monday 22nd January 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

English

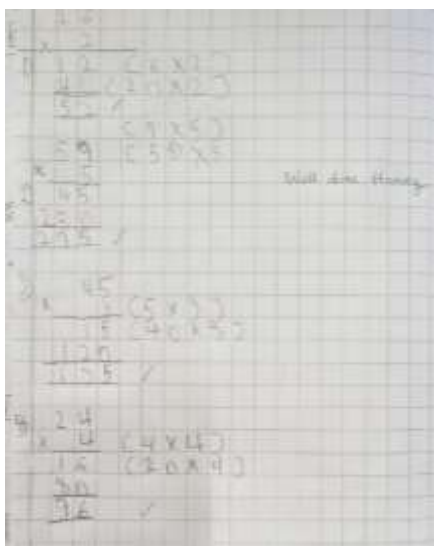
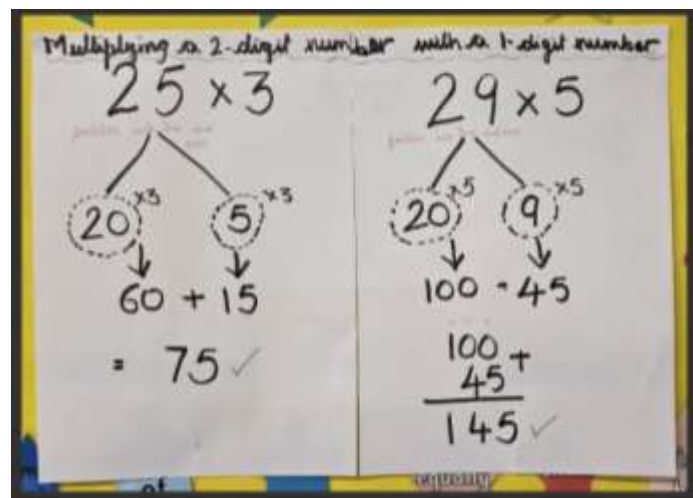
To complete our study of the text *Into the Forest*, we wrote a book review this week. The children rated the book and expressed their opinion about it. They explained the reason for recommending or for not recommending the book to others. Finally, they found out facts about the famous author of the text, Anthony Browne and recorded it in their books.



Partitioning method

Maths

We have learnt a new concept this week in maths – multiplying and dividing a 2-digit number by a 1-digit number. We learnt the formal written method of solving these problems. We first partitioned the 2-digit number into its tens and ones. Then we multiplied these by the 1-digit



Column method

number. Finally, these answers need to be added up to solve the problem.

Since this method requires the use of several mathematical skills and is worked out in three stages, some children found it tricky. We will keep revisiting this part of our learning in the coming months.

Some children grasped this concept. They are now applying the same principles to column multiplication. The children really need to

consolidate this before moving on to dividing formally.

Your help in practising similar problems at home will be appreciated. A work sheet with problems to solve will be sent home this week. I understand that I have set this homework at short notice, but I have spoken to the children and reassured them that this homework will only help them in their maths work next week and it need not be returned to school. They can solve the problems whenever they have the time, over the coming week. They can also choose to use either the partitioning method or the column method.

Please speak to me if you have any questions.

RE

This week in RE, the children wrote down the meaning and importance of the symbols and religious artefacts belonging to the Sikh faith. They presented a lovely Act of Worship on Friday, based on what they had learnt in class.

History

The children located the position of Egypt on the world map. They then looked closely at the geographical layout of Egypt, the Nile, the Great Pyramids and the Valley of the Kings.

PE

We have continued to develop our ball skills this week. A couple of lovely Year 6 boys (Thank you, Ted and Harry!) showed us basketball skills they were practising in the hall. Our class children listened patiently, watched carefully and participated in the activities brilliantly!





Science

In science this week, the children learnt how to observe rock samples closely and record their observations during our study of the topic, Rocks and Soils.



Miss Atkinson was in our class this week for work experience. She was brilliant at helping the children in their learning in all subjects.

Thank you, Miss Atkinson!

Spellings

Here are the spellings for the next week.

| Focus Word | |
|---------------|---------------|
| ✓disappoint | ✓dishonest |
| ✓misbehave | ✓disagree |
| misunderstand | ✓mislead |
| misconduct | misunderstood |
| misguided | misdeed |
| ✓misplace | ✓misuse |
| ✓disgrace | ✓misfire |
| disguise | misspent |
| dishearten | ✓disobey |

Have an enjoyable weekend!

Mrs Pattanshetti, Mrs Glennon and Mrs Patterson 😊