



Year 4

Spellings this week: (TEN)

**different, difficult, disappear,
occasion, opposite, possession,
possible, pressure, suppose, appear**

(SEVEN)

**move, pass, sure, hole, whole, would,
could**

Dear Parents,

Your children have really settled into our new routine and I am enjoying teaching them and getting to know them all better. It was great for them to be able to say goodbye to Lola this week! We wish Lola all the best at her new school in Ireland. Welcome to our newest member of the class, Joshua, who has settled in beautifully.

This week in maths, the children were re-capping their prior knowledge of place value. At the start of the week, they thought about the value of each digit in a three- or four-digit number. The children looked at the numbers using a wide variety of visual representations and were able to identify the numbers these represented. Towards the end of the week, they focused on where the numbers would sit on differing scale number lines; this will help them as we think about rounding next week.

In English, the children thought in more detail about Charlie Bucket, focusing on his personality and appearance. They were able to think of fantastic adjectives to describe him, then enhanced this by using a thesaurus to take their vocabulary a step higher. I was very impressed with the describing words the children came up with and the sentences they used them in. After this, the children planned a new character to add to the story. They thought carefully about the character's back story and how he/she would fit into the version of the story we all know so well. There were some really creative (and quite hilarious) characters.

The children began to learn about 'States of Matter.' They could act out what the particles in a solid, liquid or a gas would do and this helped them to

understand how we can change the state of a variety of materials to demonstrate this.

In Art, the children used mosaics to make a Roman Legionnaire's helmet for their photograph to go on for our class display. They really enjoyed this and took great care.

Next week we have Woodland Learning. Please ensure your children have appropriate clothing on and wellies if they want to go in the stream.

We would like to welcome Mrs Christian to the class on a Monday and Tuesday each week, she is completing her teacher training with us. The children have some maths home learning this week, I would appreciate this being handed in by Wednesday please. The home learning is purely for the children to demonstrate some of their learning in school this week and not to move them on further. There will be sheets at occasional intervals, but TT Rockstars, spellings and reading are a weekly requirement. Thank you for your support with this.

With thanks,

Mrs Ward and Mrs Vennart