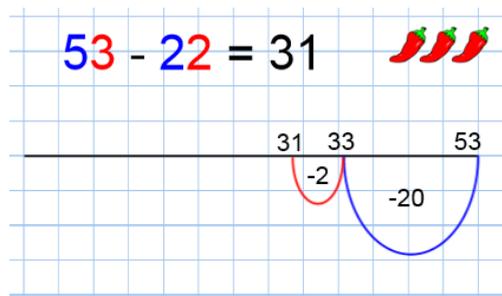
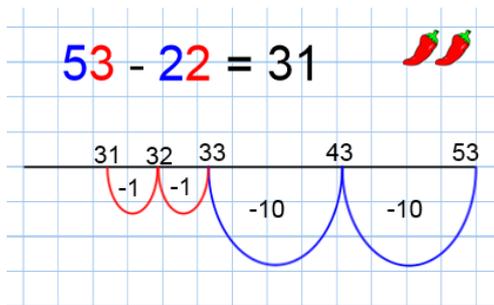


Dear Parent/Carers,

In Numeracy lessons this week, we have started to learn how to use number lines to solve calculations that involve subtraction. We learnt how important it was that the largest number comes first in the number sentence and to remember that the final answer will be smaller.



A skill that will hugely help the children when doing these number lines is their ability to quickly solve mental subtraction calculations e.g. 53 – 20 or 33 – 2 as in the number line above. This week's homework is a good opportunity for some practice of this key skill.

In Literacy, we have learnt that when a root word has a short vowel before a consonant (e.g. pat, bet, knit, shop, tut) you double the consonant before adding the suffix –ed. We have also started a two week unit on Poetry by reading a poem entitled 'Bed in Summer' and performing it with a friend.

In our Science lessons, we have completed an investigation to test which material would be the most suitable for wrapping presents and why it would be suitable. We are sure that he would be impressed with the scientific vocabulary the children have used such as flexible, opaque and suitable. Next week, we will write a letter back to Santa to tell him our results and make sure he wraps all the presents in the most suitable material.

Finally, here are some important dates for your diaries:

Tuesday 4th December, 4-6pm: Christmas Fayre. Please donate new boxes/bars/packets of chocolates for our chocolate tombola, good quality toys and games and festive jam jars. These can be brought into school anytime between now and the fayre.

Monday 10th December, 2.15pm: KS1 Concert for parents with pre-school children & nurseries.

Tuesday 11th December: Christmas Jumper day. Children may wear a festive/winter jumper for the Save the Children / Overgate Christmas Jumper day (donations of £1 for the charities will be collected by teachers if you wish to contribute).

Wednesday 12th and Thursday 13th December, 2.15pm: KS1 Concert for parents.

Wednesday 19th December: Christmas Party. Children to come to school in non-uniform/party clothes.

Thursday 20th December: church for Carol Service (am) and school closes for Christmas holiday.

Many thanks for your support,

Miss Fiddler, Miss Freeman, Mrs Caine and Mrs Midgley