

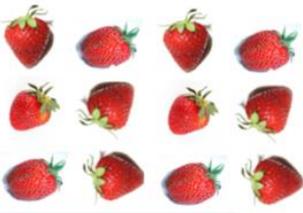
Dear Parent/Carers,

In Numeracy, we have gained confidence when finding fractions of different numbers e.g. $\frac{1}{4}$ of 12, $\frac{3}{4}$ of 16 and also learnt how to find fractions of a group of objects or a shape as shown below. To do this we have to understand that the whole does not have to be a number written in digits but may be an amount of money, the number of strawberries or the number of equal parts a shape has been split into.

Jack had 12 strawberries.

He ate $\frac{1}{3}$ of them.

How many did he eat?



Circle $\frac{1}{4}$ of this money.



During Literacy lessons, we have retold the next part of Traction Man story as a class which included a problem (eek – something went wrong!) and solution (phew – Traction Man saved the day!). The children then wrote their own problem and solution from a different part of the story. Thankfully, Scrubbing Brush was on hand to save the spoons from the Evil Brush! We then began by exploring different settings from which the children will choose their favourite to include in their own story next week.

In our Literacy lessons, we have also learnt how to add the suffix –ly and how adding this suffix often changes the root word to an adverb (a word or phrase that modifies the meaning of an adjective, verb, or other adverb, expressing manner, place, time, or degree (e.g. *gently, here, now, very*)). The same rule applies when the root word ends in a **y**; we had to change it to an **i** before adding –ly e.g. happy = happily.

In Science lessons this week, we have designed boats for Traction Man to sail on across the foamy waters of the sink. Traction Man needed his boat to be strong, waterproof and able to float. We tested the boats by floating them in a bowl of water and placing weights on them to see how much they could hold. Many of the boats floated despite us placing over 300g on them!



Next half term during our CCL lessons, we will be making air powered vehicles as part of our DT curriculum. **Please could we ask that if you have any plastic bottles, balloons, rubber bands, straws, bottle tops or corrugated cardboard that you are happy for us to use for this project you send them into school.**

Thank you to 2F for their delicious buns today. Next week (Friday 22nd March) will be 2B's Friday bake.

Thank you for your on-going support,
Miss Fiddler, Miss Freeman, Mrs Caine and Mrs Midgley