

Dear Parent/Carers,

In Literacy this week, we have written our own book reviews about our class text, "The Day The Crayons Quit". We included lots of information under clear subheadings including:

- What is the book about?
- Who is your favourite character?
- What is your favourite part of the story and why?
- Who would you recommend this story to?

This week's spelling pattern has involved children working out which 'ck' sound they should use in different words. We discovered that 'ck' usually comes at the end of a root word after a short vowel (e.g. 'pack', 'kick') but never at the start of a word. If your children have a good understanding of this spelling rule, we are encouraging them to apply this pattern with additional suffixes to spell words such as 'colourful' and 'kindness'.

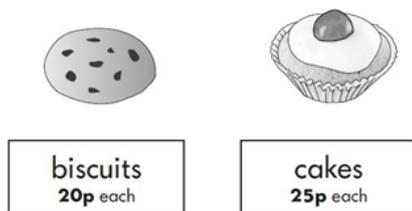
In Numeracy, we recapped addition and subtraction and took some time to remind ourselves of how to work out missing number problems in addition and subtraction number sentences. Some of the missing number problems were very challenging but we successfully used our brilliant bar models, and then number lines, to help us solve these.

We have also recapped money and used our knowledge of money to solve word problems such as this:



*Sita has these coins in her purse. She buys a lollipop for 25p. How much change does she get?*

Here is an example of a 2 step tough cookie word problem:



*Sam buys 2 cakes and 2 biscuits. How much does he spend altogether?*

In Art, we finished our self-portraits in the style of Frida Kahlo by using different grades of pencil to add shading to various parts of the face. Many of us found that the hair is one of the trickiest parts of the face to draw but we were all very impressed by the quality of the final pieces of work. Well done to all our excellent artists in Year 2!

Many thanks for your support,

Miss Fiddler, Miss Fiddler, Mrs Caine and Mrs Midgley ☺