

Dear Parent/Carers,

Firstly, we would like to thank all parents who were able to attend our consultation evenings this week.

During these meetings, many parents wished to clarify routines and expectations relating to reading books, homework and spellings.

- Reading books are changed throughout the week and children hand in their own books if they need changing so they get in the habit of being independent in this way. It is important that children have their reading packet in school every day to enable adults to read with them.
- Spellings are handed out on a Monday for the children to stick into their spelling book, ready for a quiz on the following Monday. Please continue to practise the spelling pattern of the week as well as using the personalised common exception word lists that you were given at parents' evening.
- Although we do regularly remind the children to hand in homework, reading books and letters, we also encourage them to be independent in organising their belongings.

In our Literacy lessons this week, we have focused on characters' feelings and have enjoyed reading 'Dogger' by Shirley Hughes, a story based around a boy called Dave who loses his toy dog. We have explored 'how' and 'why' characters feel certain emotions at different parts of a story and used acting to help us understand how the characters feel.

In Numeracy lessons this week, the children have been comparing numbers using the less than, greater than and equals signs (< > =). For example:

1 ten		10 ones	1 ten and 3 ones		10 ones	3 tens and 2 ones		2 tens 12 ones
2 tens		9 ones	2 tens and 4 ones		42	5 tens 4 ones		4 tens 11 ones

Next week, we will be ordering numbers. We have also practised quickly circling the biggest number out of a pair of numbers.

In our CCL lessons, we have been experimenting with different pencil grades (4H, HB, 4B) and have used them to create dark, medium and light tones. We will be using these skills to begin our own portrait sketches of Queen Elizabeth II.

Many thanks,

Mrs Haigh, Mrs Shaw and the Year 2 Team

Poetry Competition 2019




Can you write a poem about reading?

Winning entries will be published in the Woodhouse Gazette and displayed in our new reading zone! A winner from KS1, Y3/4 and Y5/6 will receive a poetry book prize!

Entries to be posted in the box before
Friday 11th October