

Dear Parent/Carers,

Welcome back after our half term break! Well done to Year 2 for a fantastic return to school and for all the hard work they have completed this week.

In our English lessons this week, we have spent time learning how to spell our Year 2 common exception words and practising them in different ways. We have learnt a little rhyme to help us learn how to remember to spell could, should and would: "oh you lucky duck!"



We also thought about the words *every*, *any* and *some* and how we can use these words to spell lots of other words e.g. *everyone*, *everybody*, *everywhere*; *anyone*, *anybody*, *anywhere*; *someone*, *somebody*, *somewhere*.



We have also read a story linked to Bonfire Night called Sparks in the Sky and used it to spot lots of -ed verbs (doing or being words). We enjoyed reading the story and also picked up lots of top tips about keeping safe on Bonfire Night!

In Numeracy lessons this week, we have ordered numbers from smallest to largest and largest to smallest. We have also ordered numbers on a number line, thinking carefully about where numbers come between multiples of 10 (e.g. 25 is exactly half way between 20 and 30, 39 is closer to 40 than 30).

e.g. Order these numbers from smallest to largest:



During CCL lessons, we have learnt about the actions of Robert Catesby, the instigator of the Gunpowder Plot. We thought of questions we would like to be able to ask him if he was still alive today and after the holidays we will be creating a Wanted Poster to help King James I find him and give him a punishment fit for his crime of treason. This story helped us to learn lots of new vocabulary such as 'monarch', 'anonymous', 'treason', 'plotted' and 'confessed' which we put in our own mini dictionary to use in our posters.

Many thanks,  
Mrs Haigh, Miss Heneghan and the Year 2 team