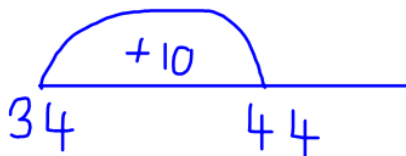


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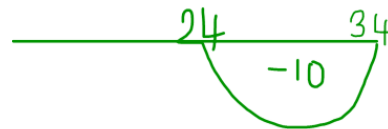
In our English lessons this week, we have finished retelling the story of “The Tiger Who Came To Tea” by rewriting the key events of the story. The children were super writers and thought so carefully about all the things that their super Year 2 writing needed including capital letters, full stops, lovely letters and conjunctions. We are also coming towards the end of our recap of Phase 5 phonics and have revisited the sounds *igh*, *or*, *ore* and *aw*.

In Maths lessons this week, we have consolidated our understanding of adding and subtracting 10 and even started to add and subtract multiples of 10 e.g.  $57 + 30 = 87$ . We have also introduced children to the number line which is a new method that will help them a lot with addition and subtraction in Year 2. When we add, we jump above the line from the left hand side and when we subtract, we dig below the line from the right hand side. Although we are only using a number line to add multiples of 10 currently, in the next few weeks we will move on to learn how to use a number line to add any two two-digit numbers (e.g.  $39 + 18$ ).

$$34 + 10 = 44$$



$$34 - 10 = 24$$



Here is a quick reminder that we will soon be starting our new topic, ‘Dressing Up’ We will begin by launching the topic on **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November** and we would like to invite the children to come to school in clothes appropriate for going on a holiday. As it is November, this does not mean bikinis, shorts and vests! We recommend that they come in something comfortable that they would normally wear at the weekend but they may like to bring sun glasses and a hat. If they would like to imagine that they are travelling to a cold destination then they could wear a woolly hat, scarf and gloves or even ski goggles if they have them! If they would like to bring in any holiday brochures, atlases or books about different countries, these would be useful to help them with their research. During this Geography-based topic, we will be looking at how people dress in different countries and the suitability of clothing for different climates.

During CCL lessons, we have learnt about the reasons we celebrate Remembrance Day and joined the school in reflecting about this during a silence. We used this video to help us to learn about the war at an age appropriate level

(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jeR5JWalcpo>) and read a story called Poppy The War Pigeon which tells the story of the war from the point of view of a messenger pigeon. The children asked extremely sensible questions and were very reflective about the events we discussed.

In Computing lessons, we have been learning how to make a quiz using 2Quiz on Purple Mash. We had a look at different question styles and then we practised creating our own.



Many thanks for your ongoing support,

Mrs Haigh, Miss Heneghan and the Year 2 Team