

Dear Parent/Carers,

In English, we have been reading the fable “The Tortoise and the Hare”. Our writing task this week was to retell the story and try to magpie lots of interesting vocabulary from the original text. We had to make sure we wrote using high 5 sentences and conjunctions and took some time to edit our writing to try and make it more interesting for the reader. We also learnt the important lesson that it’s not all about the speedy pace because slow and steady won the race!

In Maths, we started to focus on length. We learnt first of all that length means “how far it is from one end to the other” then thought about which tool was the most appropriate to use when measuring different objects – a 15cm ruler, a 30cm ruler, a metre stick or a measuring tape. This encouraged the children to work out whether the measurements needed to be in centimetres or metres. Following this, we estimated how long or tall we thought an object would be and measured them accurately. Finally, we found fractions of lengths and added/subtracted lengths to/from each other.

In CCL, we are drawing together our learning about transport. Last week, we enjoyed having a go at making cars based on our designs. The children all worked really hard and there were some great models. We would like to thank you for your contributions towards the resources needed for these models. If you have a look on our school Twitter page, you will see a few photos of some of the car models that were made!

We have started a new Art topic about an artist called Frida Kahlo. We learnt some interesting facts about her artwork! Did you know that she mainly painted self-portraits due to being bed-bound as a result of a bus accident at the age of 18? She included lots of bright, vibrant colours and tropical animals in her artwork to reflect the country she lived in (Mexico). Over the next few weeks, we are going to have a go at creating our own self-portraits in the style of Frida Kahlo. We look forward to seeing the work of some budding artists!

In Science after the holidays, we will be starting our final Year 2 Science topic of plants. Perhaps during the holidays while you are out and about, you could do a bit of plant spotting. Can you name the parts of a plant? Can you name different common types of British wild flowers? Can you name the trees that you see? You could even have a go at planting some seeds and making sure you give the plant everything it needs to survive.

We hope you have an enjoyable and peaceful Easter.

Many thanks for your support,

Mrs Haigh, Miss Heneghan and the Year 2 Team