Dear Parent/Carers,

Firstly, we would like to say how proud we are of all of the children in Year 2 and the way that they have worked this half term. They have settled into their new year group brilliantly and we are enjoying seeing them learn and grow every day.

This week we have been recapping the taught graphemes from this half term. Our teaching of whole class phonics has now come to an end, as we transition into reading comprehension (DARTs) lessons. These lessons continue to embed the importance of fluency and explore understanding of what has been read. They will replace the daily phonics and will focus on a text type and linked questions.

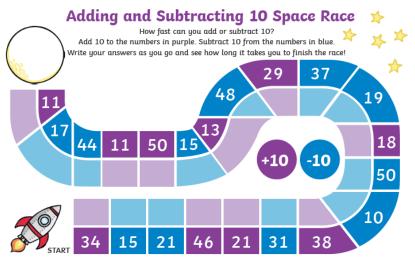
Our spellings for Tuesday's quiz are:

people	eye		whole		their
through	thought		sure		once
because		pretty		friend	

In English this week, we have written our information texts about our created witch. We have used amazing adjectives to describe the witch's appearance and habitat and explained the behaviours of our witch. Our main focus was to the ensure that our writing was in the present tense and we used a variety of topic language to explain these behaviours.



In Maths, we have been adding and subtracting ten from numbers up to 100. Perhaps you would like to have a go at playing our adding and subtracting 10 space race? We will be continuing to focus on addition and subtraction as our next unit of learning in Maths so any additional practise of adding/subtracting 10 from a 2 digit number as well as adding and subtracting multiples of 10 (e.g. 45 + 20 or 65 – 30) would be beneficial.



We have also practised recalling our doubles up to double 12 as these facts can be so useful to us when we are calculating mentally. If this is something your child finds tricky, there are many useful websites that can help by being used in short, sharp bursts including one of our favourites: Hit The Button (https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button).

We can't quite believe it's coming up to that time of year already... CHRISTMAS!

Today, we have sent the children home with their lines for our Christmas show. Please support and encourage your child to learn their lines, as we will be straight into rehearsals when we return in the new half term.



Have a lovely half term break and we look forward to seeing the children back in school on **Tuesday 7**th **November.**

Mrs Collins, Mr Bale, Mrs Gooseman and the Year 2 team 😊