

Friday 8th December

Dear Parents/Carers,

In English this week, we have continued with our work on letter writing. Focusing on our class reader 'You're a Bad Man, Mr Gum' by Andy Stanton, we wrote a letter to our friends explaining why Mr Gum is a bad man. When writing our letters, we included an address, a greeting, fronted adverbials and signed it off.



In Maths, we have completed some assessments this week. Today, we have been introduced to the grid method for multiplication. We will continue to practise and apply this method next week.

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 54 \times 3 = 162 \\
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 \times & 5 & 0 & & 4 \\
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 3 & 1 & 5 & 0 & 12 \\
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 150 + 12 = 162
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In Science last week, the children lead an investigation to find out if a range of everyday materials are magnetic or not magnetic. This week, we used the same materials to test if the magnetic objects could attract through a material (water). As an extension, we discussed what might happen if the magnetic materials were heavier.

We completed our History unit of work 'Would you prefer to live in the Stone Age, Bronze Age or Iron Age?' by comparing settlements in the Stone Age to the Iron Age and thinking about the similarities and differences between the two.

Next week, we will be moving on to our new Geography topic 'Who lives in Antarctica?'.



Many thanks,

Miss Stephenson and Miss Parker