

Dear Parent / Carer,

In English, we have finished retelling the story 'The Highway Rat' written by Julia Donaldson. After the holidays, we will be moving on to the story 'Lost and Found' by Oliver Jeffers.

This week in Phonics, our sounds have been 'ph' as in phone, 'wh' as in wheel, 'ie' as in shield and 'g' as in giant. Our tricky words for the week have been: friend, once, our, laugh and because. These are the words the children need to be able to sight read.

This week, we have checked each child individually to see which sounds they know and which sounds they are still practising. We have sent a copy of this record home in each child's reading packet so we can continue working on these sounds together. All scheme books have been collected in today, so they can be checked over the holidays.

In Maths, we have been ordering numbers within 100. We have also used the inequality ( >, < ) symbols to compare 3 and 4 numbers.

$$28 > 20 > 18 > 7$$

$$3 < 8 < 12 < 21$$

After the holidays, we will begin a new unit on length using non-standard and standard units of measure.

In Geography, we explored some of the human and physical features in China. We asked the children to imagine they are visiting their favourite feature in China. We wrote a postcard to send home, explaining what we had seen and describing what the features looked like.

In Art, we have been working as a class to recreate Louise Bourgeois' 'Maman' spider sculpture (1999). We planned and created the legs and body of the spider, then painted and decorated our sculpture.

We would like to congratulate the children for all their hard work this half term and we look forward to seeing you all when school re-opens on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June.

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