



NEWSLETTER

Week ending Friday 23rd October 2020

Home Learning

It's so lovely to finally be back in school with the children again! We were so impressed with the children's participation in their home learning and the adult support they were given to achieve this. The majority of children joined the morning briefing each day and fully engaged with work set. Children who participated in this learning have returned to school with a really positive attitude and have shown confidence this week as we have continued on from what was taught at home. We really appreciate everything that was done by all of you to facilitate this so thank you!

Our learning this week

This week in English, we have been learning all about Cinquain poems. These poems have a strong focus on word type so this has been supporting the children's understanding of what adjectives and verbs are and how to select appropriate ones that link to our subject of the seaside. We have also been writing similes to add more detail to our poems. In Maths, we have been using our knowledge of number bonds in other areas of Maths. The children have been finding out how subtraction is the inverse of addition and they have been adding numbers (in tens) to make 100.

Messages

Phonics – All children were sent home with a letter about the Phonics Screening Check this week. Please continue to support your children with their preparation for this. Reading is *the most important skill* and is the gateway to accessing all other learning. Phonics words to practise are being sent home weekly and regular reading of their home reading book/e-book will also help to embed phonic sounds.

Reading books – Children will be re-assessed in phonics after half term and this will help to inform us of the reading book level your child will be allocated. Books will still be changed weekly (on a Friday) so once your child has read this book at least three times, please feel free to encourage your child to read other books for pleasure. Don't forget to record any home reading so a move along the race track can be given!

Have a lovely half term! Mrs Ashforth, Miss Allen and Miss Jones

