

# Year Two Weekly Update



Friday 24th January

## Messages:

As part of our safeguarding policy we would like to remind parents that you should not be in school in the mornings. The children will be collected from the playground. If your child is coming to Reading Eggs they need to be dropped at the office where they will be sent to the ICT suite. If you are late (after 8:50am) you need to come into school via the school office.

**DONT FORGET TO BRING A SMALL PLANT POT BY TUESDAY TO PLANT OUR BULBS. THANKS !**

Assembly : Our class assembly is on Friday 20th March at 2:45pm.

## Maths

This week we have completed our unit on Division. The children are now able to use bar models to divide by 2/5 and 10. They are doing really well with this but need lots of practise.

Next week we will be starting a new unit on Fractions. Finding equal groups, recognising half of shapes and finding halves of amounts are covered in the first week.

## English

This week we have continued our work on the Gingerbread Man and the children have planned and written their own Gingerbread Man stories. They have changed the characters and the setting to innovate a well-known story.

Next week we will be starting work on our new book 10 Things I can do to help my world by Melanie Walsh. We will be focussing on what we can do to help the world and writing statements. We will then be working in talk partners making posters to show how we can help our World.

## Phonics / Spellings

This week we have learnt the spelling rules for words ending in *le* and we have used our different spelling techniques to practise this. We have also practised great, break and steak and move, prove and improve.

Next week will be learning how to add the suffixes *ing*, *ed*, *er* *est* to words ending in *e* with a consonant, such as the word *dance* becoming *dancing*, *dancer* and *danced*.

## Topic:

This week the children have been learning about weather and climate in Australia. The children learnt all about the difference between the cities of Darwin and Hobart. We have also been learning about the life cycle of a bean and the children have planted their own beans. They also sequenced the stages of bean growth. In Computing we used a spreadsheet to design our own magic squares. The children can access this at home if you would like to see their work.

Next week we will be comparing Christmas in Australia and the UK. We will be learning that Christmas falls in the summer in Australia and in the Winter in the UK. We will also learn how each country celebrates Christmas. In Science we will be learning that plants not only grow from seeds but also from bulbs. We will plant our own bulbs. In Computing we will be learning how to design simple spreadsheets to add amounts of money.

Homework: This week please complete the spelling activity that's been set on Reading Eggs ! You need to access this through the Reading Eggs website and log into Reading Eggspress. Your log in details are in your homework folder.

Have a lovely weekend ! Mrs Neal and Reem