

Dear Parent/Carers,

In our Literacy lessons this week, we have focused on describing the setting of a school. We have written the beginning of our Lost Toy story and after the holidays, we will focus on the problem and solution in more detail.

In Numeracy lessons this week, we have counted in twos, fives and tens. We counted forwards and backwards and started from different numbers that were not necessarily in the times tables for each number (e.g. 17, 19, 21, 23). The children also had to prove how they knew that certain sequences would always have odd numbers, even numbers or both for their answers. We finished the week by solving a problem which involved aliens from outer space! The children impressed us with their problem solving skills when finding as many ways as possible to make 20 alien eyes using those with 2 eyes, 5 eyes and 10 eyes (e.g. 5 eyes + 10 eyes + 5 eyes = 20 eyes). Please remember to encourage your child to practise their times tables on the TT Rock Stars website to develop their fluency with this.

In our CCL lessons, we have been using the internet to research interesting facts about the Queen and have learnt about the Royal Family including celebrations that they have celebrated over the years. We have also looked at famous portraits of our Queen.

In Art, we have created our own Christmas cards which parents and carers will have the opportunity to order later if they wish. The children thoroughly enjoyed creating their own personal design. We hope to be sending the examples home soon so that you can order them in time for the Christmas post.

Today your child should have brought home a copy of the Nativity script and their role in the play. If they do not have any lines, they will need to learn the song lyrics. We are hoping to put the songs onto D B Primary so that you can access them from home.

Yesterday, the results of the School Council elections were revealed and we would like to congratulate our new Class Councillors: Connie Rider, Benjamin Penwright, William Jones and Jessica Emsley.

Finally, we would like to welcome our student Miss Robertshaw to the Year 2 team. Miss Robertshaw will be working in Year 2 until Christmas.

We hope that you have an enjoyable holiday and look forward to seeing the children back at school on Tuesday 1st November.

Many thanks,

Miss Fiddler, Mrs Hardwick, Miss Robertshaw, Mrs Caine and Mrs Midgley