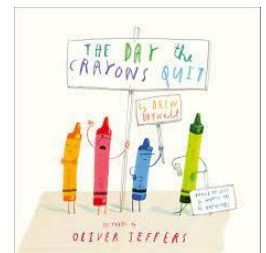


Dear Parent/Carers,

Our spellings for Monday's quiz are:

movement	improvement	payment	enjoyment
eyeball	toothbrush	lighthouse	playground

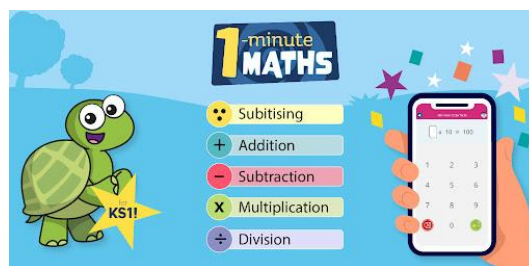
In English this week, we have continued our work around the story 'The Day The Crayons Quit' by Drew Daywalt. Different objects in our classroom have decided to strike this week for the way they think they are being mistreated! The taps were very upset that they get left running when they're not being used, and the paper towels didn't understand why we can't just use one of them at a time when our hands are so small! The children have written letters to the class from the perspective of some of these objects and tried to express how they were feeling, why they felt that way and what changes they would like to see.



In Maths, we have learnt speedy strategies for adding and subtracting 9 and 11. It is helpful to us that both numbers are very close to 10! We learnt to use the following tricks:

To add 11	Add 10, add 1
To add 9	Add 10, subtract 1
To subtract 11	Subtract 10, subtract 1
To subtract 9	Subtract 10, add 1

We also continued to develop our times table fluency by completing weekly times table probes linked to the 2, 5 and 10 times tables. Once children move into Year 3, they will be introduced to the 3, 4, 6 and 8 times tables, so the more secure they are in their Year 2 facts by the end of this half term, the better placed they will be to move on! There are many tools available to help your child to practise these facts including the website "Hit the Button", the "1 minute Maths" app by White Rose and many other websites and games.



We wanted to thank all of the children, parents and carers for the incredible effort that has been put into the self-studies. The knowledge that the children have presented has been excellent and it has been wonderful to see so many creative and exciting ways of presenting their findings. We are going to keep them in school for a short while before returning them home. Once again, a huge thank you and well done to all involved.

Thank you for the continued support,
Mrs Collins, Mr Bale, Mrs Gooseman and the Year 2 Team