



WINHILLS

Year 1

Fortnightly Newsletter

English

We began our term writing a non-chronological report about our walk. The children were great at writing about what we had seen in our local area. We had to organise our ideas into different categories and the children loved using the photos they had taken to add extra information. The last two weeks has seen the children focus on the classic picture book 'Where the Wild Things Are' by Maurice Sendak. The children have been amazing at having a rumpus! They have described the feeling of the main character and learnt the story brilliantly.

Maths

The children have been learning about grouping and sharing in maths. They have had to make sure that their answers are equal and fair and have been great at problem solving to ensure this happens. The children began by using resources to solve the problems and then moved on to drawings to work out their answers. They are now beginning to use this knowledge to find a half of a shape or quantity. We have focused on half or not half to check the pieces are equal.

Science

We began the term finishing our unit about humans. The children named lots of different body parts and then explored our outside area to investigate senses. They particularly enjoyed using their sense of smell in the herb area. The children are now beginning their unit of learning about materials. They will name materials, explore their uses and then investigate what materials are best for different purposes, such as curtains or an umbrella.

Reminders

We change our reading books **every day**. Please can the children bring their books in every day to ensure they can be changed. Please aim to complete **five reads and a book talk** each week, this is an easy way for your child to earn Dojo points.

The children have to **complete 30 minutes of Numbots each week**. The children will be rewarded with Dojo points for completing their Numbots homework.

New spelling homework is given to the children on Wednesday each week. This should be completed and returned the following Monday.

PE is on Wednesday afternoons. Please make sure your child has the correct PE kit and earrings are removed.

As the weather is rather changeable at the moment please make sure your child still brings a jacket to school with them, there seems to be a constant risk of rain!