



WINHILLS

Years 2 and 3

Fortnightly Newsletter

English

In English, our work has been focused around the text 'The Princess and the White Bear King'. We have explored the story and created story maps. In our grammar lessons, the children have extended their knowledge of using adjectives to describe nouns by writing sentences where they describe three things in a list. They then used this when writing character and setting descriptions. We finished our grammar lessons by looking at how to punctuate speech between two characters.

Our Guided Reading lesson focus on VIPERS which stands for vocabulary, infer, predict, explain, retrieve and sequence. The children listen to part of a story and each day focus on a different strand of VIPERS.

Maths

In Maths, the children have been exploring addition and subtraction. They have been using their knowledge of place value to support their understanding of calculations. Their understanding of how to use different methods to calculate different questions has improved a lot and they have then used this knowledge when presented with reasoning problems.

Science

On Tuesday 8th November, we had our school Science Day. The children in Years 2 and 3 completed three investigations. They used balloons and cups to make air canons, they explored magnets and drew mazes to guide paperclips through and used newspapers and tape to make bridges to hold heavy objects.

Topic

This half term we have focused on computing and design and technology in the classroom. In computing, the children have been learning about how the Internet works and how online messages are sent around the world. In design and technology, we are learning about seasonal foods for the children to make their own tarts. They have also been designing and making their own Tudor houses using nets of 3D shapes.

Reminders

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** (discussion about the book. Please write book talk in their reading diary) each week. This is an easy way for your child to earn Dojo points. In Year 2, the children should complete 30 minutes of Numbots each week. In Year 3, the children need to complete 15 minutes of TT Rockstars and 30 minutes of Maths Whizz each week.

Please also ensure that your child has a water bottle in school every day and appropriate clothing (including PE kit) for the changing weather.

Any questions, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Nurture

Inspire

Flourish