



WINHILLS

Years 2 and 3

Fortnightly Newsletter

English

In English, our work has been focused around poetry. The children have looked at a variety of poems which use imaginative language. They wrote their own poem about a monster they created using similes. After that, they listened to 'The Jabberwocky' by Lewis Carroll. They found the poem fascinating because he uses nonsense words that he has made up to describe the creature. They then created their own creature and had great fun making up their own words to describe them.

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 Year 3, the children have been developing their understanding of telling the time. They have learnt how to tell the time to the minute and have progressed to calculating problems involving time. In Year 2, the children have been learning new methods for addition and subtraction. They have done absolutely brilliantly learning how to set out the column method and calculating using this.

Science

In Science, we have continued our learning about plants. They have been looking in detail at the parts of a flower and beginning to understand pollination. We have been really impressed with how they understood how the different parts of the flower play a part in making new flowers.

Topic

In the classroom, the children have been completing different tasks. In Amber class, they have been learning how to make paper and have created paintings on the paper they have made. In Emerald class, the children have been learning how to sew and have made cushions. In Ruby class, they have been learning about the pentatonic scale and creating their own melodies to play on glockenspiels.

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 and sun hat in school every day and appropriate clothing (including PE kit) for the changing weather.

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

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