

# <u>WINHILLS</u> <u>Years 2 and 3</u> Fortnightly Newsletter

### **English**

In English, our work has been focused around writing reports. The children have further developed their understanding of how reports are structured. They have researched about St Neots and finished by writing a leaflet about the town.

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.

We have been incredibly proud of the children in Year 2 who have been completing their Reading SATs papers. All children have worked and tried very hard to achieve their full potential.

### <u>Maths</u>

In Year 3, the children have been improving their understanding of arithmetic and calculation methods. They have been practising their addition, subtraction, multiplication and division skills. In Year 2, the children have been completing their arithmetic and reasoning Maths SATs papers. They have all done brilliantly and we are so proud of the effort and progress they have made this year.

### <u>Science</u>

In Science, we have continued our learning about plants. They have learnt about the roots and their function. The children used magnifying glasses to look in detail at the roots. After that, we moved onto learning more about how the stem transports water to the rest of the plant. They did an investigation using ink and white flowers to show this.

## <u>Topic</u>

This half term, the children are continuing to enjoy learning about our new topic 'There's no place like home'. In the classroom, they have been looking at China and the physical and human geography features that can be found there. They then compared this to St Neots identifying similarities and differences. In the ICE Zone, they loved using ink to create Chinese willow art on plates.

## **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.



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