

<u>WINHILLS</u> <u>Year 1 and Year 2</u> <u>Fortnightly Newsletter</u>

<u>Year 1 English</u>

Year 1 have recently completed a unit of work on poetry. We performed poetry and wrote a variety of our own poems. For the last week, we have been looking at the story, 'The Lion Inside'. Using our inference skills, we have determined emotions of a range of characters and we have been planning our ideas to write a description of a character.

Year 1 Maths

In year 1, we started the half term learning about length and height. We measured a range of resources and added our measurements together. Now, we are learning about multiplication and division. We have recapped counting in 2s, 5s and 10s and have also made, and added, equal groups.

<u>Year 2 English</u>

Since coming back to school, the children have done an amazing job in their performance poetry unit. They have considered rhyme, repetition and onomatopoeia whilst writing and performing their own poems. This week in year 2 we have begun looking at a new text, 'The lion inside' and will be exploring the setting and characters in the text.

Year 2 Maths

In year 2 the children have been learning about fractions. They have learnt how to identify fractions, calculate a fraction of a number and solve fraction-based word problems. We are now working on refining our understanding of measurement by looking at length, temperature, and time.

<u>Science</u>

This term, we are learning about plants in our Science sessions. The children will identify what plants need to survive and will complete experiments to explore what happens when a plan is without these variables. Throughout this unit, the children will identify and name a variety of common wild and garden plants. The classes will also have the opportunity to label the parts of plants and explain their purposes.

Topic

The children have begun learning about Africa as their topic for the summer term. They are learning about the different climates, terrain and countries within the continent. The children have been identifying and naming the different continents and oceans of the world. In DT this term, the year 2 children have started to design and make their own functioning ferris wheels. Whereas the year 1 children will be designing and creating their own puppets.

Reminders

We change our reading books on a **Monday, Wednesday and Friday**. Please can the children bring their books in on these days 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.

All children should be completing 30 minutes of Numbots each week. The children will be rewarded with Dojo points for completing their Numbots homework.

As the weather is unpredictable at this time of year please ensure your child comes to school with a named coat, sunhat and water bottle.

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