



Weekly Learning Letter

Year Two

Week commencing 18.3.24

<p>This week in Year Two ...</p>	<p>In PE, the children continued to learn their dance for the Radwinter dance festival and had a fantastic time sharing it with other schools on Friday morning.</p> <p>In science, the children learned that animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults. They became researchers and made their own life cycle of an animals of their choice.</p> <p>In art and design, the children designed and made their own digital art depicting a landscape of Saffron Walden.</p> <p>In DT, the children explored the ingredients that were used to make the prepared salads that they evaluated last week. They learned how each of the ingredients grow and whether they can be grown locally. They then evaluated them; considering taste, texture and appearance. The children then designed 3 salads and chose one that fits the criteria the best to make next week.</p> <p>In PSHE, the children recapped food groups and learned what our body needs for it to be healthy. They used the Eatwell plate o inform them. They then sorted food into their different groups and discussed foods that they liked and disliked.</p>
<p>Reminder</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The children have now all been given their login details for Times Table Rock Stars. The children are expected to fluently know their 2, 5 and 10 times table facts by the end of year 2. Times Table Rock Stars is a great way to increase the speed of their recall of these number facts. • In year 2, the children can earn a special times table badge which is presented to them in celebration assembly. The children will have their first opportunity to earn this badge on Monday morning. If they are able to answer all 72 questions (2s, 5s and 10s in and out of order) in under 5 minutes, they will be presented with their badge to wear on their school uniform on Friday. • Please remember to wear your PE kit on a Wednesday and a Thursday. • Reading books should be brought in every day. Please try and read every day at home as well, it really helps your child's progress in all areas of the curriculum. • We have given your child their Bug Club log in details. Bug Club can be accessed through this link: https://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk/login?c=0 • If you have any problems, please contact your class teacher.
<p>English</p>	<p>In English this week, the children were introduced to a new text Katie in London by James Mayhew. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5ju8RhDwW0 They inferred what might happen in the story using the front and back covers and created a 'book talk' table (likes, dislikes, patters/links and puzzles). They then experimented with creating sentences about a setting in London using adjectives, adverbs and similes.</p>
<p>Maths</p>	<p>This week, the children concluded their unit on length and height by applying their knowledge of the four operations to understanding of lengths and heights to solve word problems. They then began their new unit on mass, capacity and temperature. The children revisited previous learning from year 1 by comparing mass, before moving onto their new learning of weighing mass in grams.</p>
<p>Phonics & Spelling</p>	<p>This week, we have been learning how to add the suffix -ly where there is no change to the root word and also to root words ending in y. The also learnt to add the prefix un- to words with suffixes. This weeks spellings are: nicely, quickly, perfectly, wisely, clearly, unopened, uncooked, unlocked</p> <p>Please encourage your children to learn these at home ready for the Big Spell at the end of the half term.</p>

To support your child's learning at home this week you could...

Maths



If your child is confident counting in 2s, 5s and 10s they are now ready to learn their 2, 5 and 10 times table facts off by heart. We would suggest you begin to learn these using flashcards. Once you feel you know the answers, you can improve your speed of recall by playing Hit The Button or Times Table Rock Stars. **In year 2, the children can earn a special times table badge which is presented to them in celebration assembly. The children will have their first opportunity to earn this badge on Monday morning.**

A BIG well done to those children who have already earned their first times table badge! 😊

Science

Create your own life cycle of your favourite animal. You may have to do a bit of research beforehand. Bring the life cycle into school to share with your class.

