



# CLASSROOM NEWS

## 'Take a peek at our week'

### Term 5, Week 2: 24/4/17 - 28/4/17

#### THIS WEEK'S LEARNING

##### English

This week the children have written a descriptive recount of the Iron Man as he stood on the cliff by the sea. They also wrote a police report about what Hogarth and his dad witnessed. We discussed important ingredients for both pieces of writing and focussed on using the past progressive tense. The children have been self-assessing and editing to make their writing better, focussing on the success-criteria given.

##### Maths

We have been using written methods to multiply and divide this week. The children have worked extremely hard and have mastered the methods taught. We have also been working out fractions of numbers, as this is an area many are finding difficult. We used cubes to help visualise fractions. In mental maths, we are continuing to practise mental strategies already taught.

##### Science

The children used a Carroll diagram to classify animals this week. Several interesting questions popped up during the session, such as: Do pigs lay eggs? Are there any birds that do not lay eggs? This led to a class discussion about mammals, amongst other things.

##### Forest School

The children thoroughly enjoyed their session on Tuesday. Some of the children created an amazing bug hotel using pallets, bricks, tubes and natural resources found. Thank you to all of those who donated resources. A special thank you also to Mrs Hobson for volunteering to help out with Forest School. There is a bag containing a pair of unnamed wellies in the classroom, if anyone is missing theirs.

##### PE

The weather just about stayed dry on Wednesday morning, so we were able to go out for PE and practise ball skills with tennis rackets and balls. The children focussed on being able to confidently move in different directions and to show awareness of space. They also considered how to be able to control the ball more easily. We spoke about being able to predict where the ball is going to bounce and how to ensure you are in the right position to be able to return the ball.

##### SMSC

We discussed the value of respect this week and what it means. All children noted down what it means to them and how we can show respect in our daily life towards others.