

Year 2 Newsletter

Friday 6th October 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

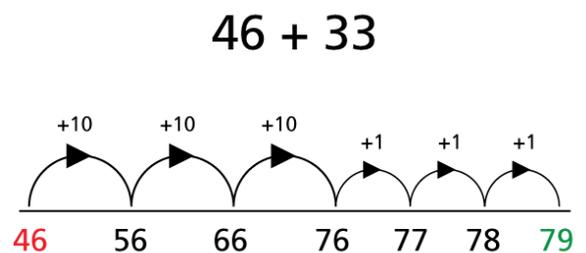
In English this week, we read the next story from the Elmer collection called 'Elmer again.' We thought of our own ideas of adventures that Elmer could go on and drew a story map. The following day, we used the story map to help us sequence our writing, where we wrote the beginnings of our Elmer adventures, trying really hard to remember to make our sentences interesting. We also discussed how we could use adverbs to describe an action, to add more detail. Next we read a story called 'Six dinner Sid', about a very greedy cat. We used conjunctions (and, because, so, but, when) to write extended sentences about the story.

In Art, we made collages of Elmer the elephant by gluing small coloured pieces of tissue paper onto tracing paper. Our elephants look so bright and colourful that we will be using them to decorate our classroom windows.



Elmer by Tillv

We had a big focus on addition in maths this week, beginning by looking at all the different methods we already know to solve addition number sentences and using these to add 1 or 2 digit numbers to a 2 digit number. We also recapped how to use an empty number line to help us with addition.



For music, we have been working in small groups to create a graphic score to compose our own musical pieces. We collaborated in our groups to work out which percussion instruments we will be using and discussed how each instrument would be played. Then we performed our pieces to the rest of the class.



As we are nearing the end of our first term, the children are getting quite tired, so I understand if you are finding it difficult to engage your child with their reading, spellings and times tables. It has been quite a full-on term already and as our last week of this term will be busy with Victorian day and forest school, next week (Friday 13th) will be their last spelling test and times tables test of this term (although, I am sure they will have plenty of times tables practice on Victorian day!).

Reminder: **Victorian day – Monday 16th October:** Children will come to school dressed in their Victorian outfits.

We hope you have a lovely weekend,

Miss Hutchings, Mrs Preston-Plunkett and Mrs Sallnow

Year 2 Spellings

Week 5

The sound /j/ often
spelt with g before
e, i and y.

The sound /j/
always spelt with 'j'
before a, o and u

<i>gem</i>	<i>jacket</i>
<i>giant</i>	<i>jar</i>
<i>magic</i>	<i>jog</i>
<i>giraffe</i>	<i>join</i>
<i>energy</i>	<i>adjust</i>