

Year 2 Newsletter

Friday 11th September 2020

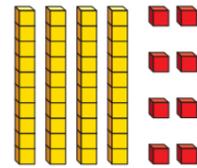
Dear Parents,

We've had such a wonderful week welcoming your children into Year 2! They've done such a great job at adapting to the new routines and timetables and have all worked really hard.

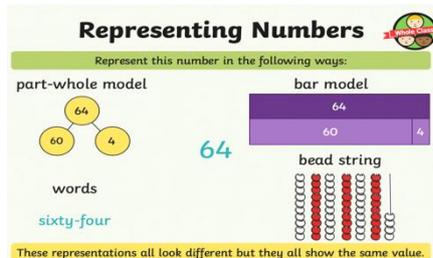
We began the week by reading 'The Snail and the Whale' by Julia Donaldson. We discussed how the author uses interesting adjectives and similes to add detailed descriptions of the characters and the setting. We identified the adjectives and similes used in the story and then used some of these (and our own ideas) to write detailed descriptions of the snail and the whale.

In SPaG, we learnt to identify word groups – nouns, adjectives and verbs. Using these, we practised writing accurate sentences.

In maths, we focused on identifying the tens and ones within a number up to 100. We recapped how we can find out how many tens and ones are in a two-digit number and we also used pictures and base ten equipment to represent towers of ten and ones.



There are tens and ones.



We learnt different ways of representing the value of a number. This picture shows four ways of representing the number 64. After that, we practised our own representations of 2-digit numbers.

For our history topic of 'The Great Fire of London', we looked at images of London from 1666 and the present day and discussed how London has changed over the years. We drew pictures to make comparisons between past and present London.

In RE, we learnt how many Christians believe that the world was created by God. From the Bible, we read the story of Genesis and wrote in our own words the creation story of how God created the world in seven days.

The topic 'Animals including Humans' was introduced in science. We wrote down the things we already know about animals and their young ones. Some children have written really interesting facts about animals!

In PE, we were introduced to simple steps to counts of eight. We learnt to move to a rhythm, mirroring the movements shown to us. We learnt the importance of warming up and cooling down during PE lessons.

In PSHE, we read 'The Big Bag of Worries'. This gave us the opportunity to discuss our own worries about school and the changed routines.

Mrs Ward has started teaching the class Italian numbers. The children practised writing these numbers.

Homework:

Please learn the two times tables (from 2x0 to 2x12) to be tested on Friday.

Please learn the following spellings to be tested on Friday.

Please read daily and record it in your Reading Record Book.

Spellings to learn this week:

knock

gnat

know

gnaw

knee

gnash

knitting

gnome

knife

gnarled

We hope you have a lovely weekend!

With best wishes,

Mrs Mockler and Mrs Pattanshetti