

## St. Peter's Academy East Bridgford – Newsletter

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Subject: Maths

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The children have returned to school full of enthusiasm and news from their half term holiday. They have settled quickly back into our routines and are already working really hard once again.

The children have written about their half term experiences and have also produced some safety posters giving important information about keeping safe on bonfire night.

In maths this week, year 1 have been introduced to the concept and language of subtraction. The children have initially used pictures of groups of objects to find solutions to 'taking away'. They have been encouraged to use the language of subtract, minus, less than and take away. They have also been introduced to the formal symbol to solve problems within 10 e.g.  $9-5=4$

Year 2 have continued their learning of addition and subtraction with a focus on adding and subtracting one digit numbers from a two digit number. They then moved forward onto working with multiples of 10. Some children really pushed themselves and showcased their learning as they added and subtracted multiples of 10 to and from a two digit number.

### **Homework -Fluency of number facts.**

We would like all children to practice number bonds to 10. e.g.  $1+9$ ,  $2+8$ ,  $3+7$  -just like we did earlier in the term with facts to 5. We will test these against a timer the following week.

**Year two challenge:** Number bonds to 100. E.g.  $10+90$ ,  $20+80$ ,  $30+70$ .

If you would like a further challenge, please practice the related subtraction fact e.g.  $10-9=1$ ,  $10-8=2$  and so on.

We have all come to accept now that cross country for beginners is going to be very hit and miss over the winter months. It will go ahead on Tuesdays if the weather is dry and the field is not too muddy. Therefore it is wise for the children to keep their kit in school just in case!

Your child may have mentioned that we have now started thinking about our forthcoming Key stage 1 Nativity. The children are very excited about this and their singing is certainly enthusiastic!

### **Year 2 residential:**

We will be taking our Year 2 children to a new venue this year for their two day/one night residential visit. This will take place from Monday 3rd February to Tuesday 4th February 2020 at Beaumanor Hall in Leicestershire. This is a very popular educational centre that offers a wide range of outdoor activities to children of all ages and abilities. We have chosen a pirate day for the Monday and a Victorian experience for Tuesday. **Year 1 are invited to accompany us for a day visit on the Monday.** We will send further details by letter later this term.

Your child should have handed you a letter for a parents' evening appointment on either Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> or Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November. If you are unable to attend on these days, I am happy to see you after school on an alternative day at a mutually agreed time.

**Indoor P.E. will continue to take place every Tuesday and Friday up to Christmas.**

Thank you!

Mrs D. Gilbey