

I hope you all had an enjoyable half term. The children have been full of news and stories about what they got up to over the week!

The children felt very inspired by our visit from Sam Oldham, the Olympian gymnast. The core message that he gave them was to try new things and not to give up when things are hard. We spoke in depth about how everyone is different and the importance of resilience when we find things tricky. We also discussed trying new things and how the children will have more fun with the more things they try.

In R.E. the children applied their knowledge of a baptism ceremony to create a special card that could be given to a family to acknowledge such a special event. To bring our unit of work on 'belonging' to a close, we will be designing our own special school badge next week to show that we belong to the school 'family' and what that means to us all.

Unfortunately Forest School has been postponed this week as Mrs Pyngar was unsure if her land would be too water logged for the children. We are hopeful to find a new venue for Forest School so please come and talk to us if you have an local suggestions. Soon, we will be welcoming some caterpillars into our classroom and hope to watch them eventually become beautiful butterflies!

Maths:

Year I have continued their learning on fractions. They have focused on equal parts of a shape and a quantity. The children have worked very hard and grasped the new concept well. For year 2, we have been continuing to cover a range of concepts in maths – some has been revision of units that we worked on in the autumn and spring terms. Our main focus at the moment is to prepare the children for the forthcoming optional SATs which will take place in a few weeks from now. As mentioned previously, if your child is absent for any of these assessments, we will catch up with them on a different day. English:

As well as spelling and handwriting and extra reading comprehensions, we have been enjoying our current focus text all about snow dragons. It is a non-fiction study and so far, the children have identified the main

features of the text and have found and highlighted the title, sub-titles, sentence openers and adjectives as well as spotting the introductory and concluding sentences.

Reading:

Please continue to encourage your child to read at least three times a week and continue to sign it in the diary pages of their planner – I really appreciate your support with this.

Additional Information:

- P.E. Children will require an indoor kit for both Wednesday and Friday sessions we now have P.E. with Gordon again on a Friday on the school hall.
- Open afternoon Monday 8th July
- Please provide your child with a sunhat/suncream for outdoors in the hope that we may need it one day!

Have a great weekend!

Miss Fisher