



W/C 27th January 2025

Dear Parents,

I hope you're well. We've had a fantastic week of learning, creativity, and fun in class. Here's a look at some of the highlights:

Water Safety Assembly

We learned essential tips about staying safe near water, including the importance of staying away from the edge, keeping two steps back, and how to lie on your back in a starfish position if you fall in. The children engaged thoughtfully and understood the importance of these vital safety rules.

Healthy Eating and Our Bodies Workshop

The children participated in a fun and informative workshop about healthy eating and how to take care of their bodies. We explored the benefits of a balanced diet and physical activity and had engaging discussions on making positive food choices, whilst helping Harold the Giraffe to eat a healthy balanced lunch.

Making Sandwiches

We had great fun following instructional texts to make delicious sandwiches. Chocolate spread emerged as a firm favourite, with lots of smiles, messy hands and chocolaty faces for many!

Art and Literature: *Vlad and the Great Fire of London*

After reading *Vlad and the Great Fire of London*, a unique story told from the perspective of a flea living on a rat, the children created the most amazing drawings of rats. Their creativity and attention to detail were truly impressive.

Maths:

In maths we have been learning strategies to quickly add and subtract numbers within 20.

As well as learning doubles facts (e.g., $4 + 4 = 8$, $7 + 7 = 14$) provides a handy mental strategy for solving other addition problems. And, understanding how number bonds to 10 can help us to efficiently solve problems by breaking numbers into manageable parts.

English:

Talk for Writing: "Monkey See, Monkey Do"

This week, we started our new topic, this will focus on storytelling involving a problem and exploring characters' feelings. We thoroughly enjoyed developing and using our own creative ideas to add action and drama whilst retelling the story, especially when the monkeys were jabbing back to the hat seller!

Fire of London Homework

We have been hearing about all the wonderful creations the children and yourselves are making for the Fire of London homework and can't wait to see the finish results. We're excited to showcase the children's work on our newly refreshed display board.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to another exciting week of learning and discovery.

Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or need further information about our upcoming activities. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to get in touch. I am always around at the end of the day.

Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Morrell.