

# ★ Newsletter ★

27th January 2023

## Learning Spotlight

In our topic bright lights and the big city, the children have been really engaged in their learning. They have enjoyed understanding what a capital city is and have drawn their own maps of London with key landmarks.

In art we have been continuing our topic of learning – Rain and sunrises. Here the children have been exploring different textured materials and have made their own collagraphy. These were good, and the children enjoyed using paint rollers to print their finished designs.

The children are also really enjoying computing at the minute. We have been learning how to successfully code using purple mash.

And in PE the children have been focusing on balance, coordination and dance. The children have been really enjoying the PE sessions, keep it up!

## Family Box

We have enjoyed learning about Maisy's life:

- Maisy showed photos of her family including sister, brother, uncles, auntie, mummy and daddy.
- Maisy also shared photos of her daddy dressed as a unicorn when she went to nursery - 'my amazing hero, unicorn dad' she said.
- She has three cats: Tiger, Little John and Oti
- Maisy supports Forest Football Club and shared a forest shirt.
- Maisy shared photos of her holiday in Spain with her family having lots of fun in the sun.
- Maisy enjoys playing on a Nintendo switch and shared her favourite games.
- Her favourite Huggy wuggy and she bought him from a store in Spain.
- Nana P gave Maisy a set of books including 'Maisy's Bedtime' based on a little mouse as some people call her 'Maisy Mouse'.
- Maisy shared her favourite foods including candy, oranges, raisins and a Kinder surprise!

We also heard about Matilda's life:

- She showed us a bunny teddy that has her name on
- She showed us a picture of when she was inside her mummy's tummy.
- Matilda's favourite toy is her guinea pig.
- Her favourite food includes chocolate, oranges and gingerbread
- She showed us her gymnastics and horse riding rosettes
- Matilda showed us one of her baby grows from when she was a baby
- She showed us her magnet collection from all the places she has been on holiday to
- Matilda shared her swimming badges
- She showed us a photo album with lots of photos including her family, her pet and her hobbies

Thank you for sharing Maisy and Matilda!

## Maths

In Maths we have been consolidating our learning of the topic place value. After completing a short assessment Mrs Lewis and Miss Horsfield are very happy with the children's place value knowledge. During this topic we learnt how to count forward and backwards from random numbers, practiced how to write numbers and learnt how to use a number line.

We are happy with their understanding and have now moved onto their next topic of learning, addition and subtraction.

## English

In English we have been looking at the story Katie in London. The children have been very engaged in their learning and have completed their work to high standards. As part of our innovation phase in our talk for writing the children created a change in their story, the change being that Katie visited a new place with a new character. The children loved this as we looked at exciting attractions, such as Harry Potter world, Hamleys and The National History Museum. Other activities within our talk for writing, included looking at adjectives to describe different London landmarks, and creating a story map of our story, before writing our final version.

## Home Learning

The children's weekly reading and spelling list have now been sent home and out on our class page on our website. Thank you to everyone who has been busy practicing writing and reading these words. On our class page we have uploaded resources related to Little Wandle including the sounds they are focusing on, the spellings we are looking at and sentences they are reading. It is broken down into weeks.

<https://www.eastbridgfordstpeters.co.uk/phonics/>

### Homework books:

Just a reminder this is a completely optional task, with no expectation or pressure to complete. It is great to see so many children taking an active role and wanting to do their homework, and we have already seen so many brilliant pieces of work. If you do want to share any of your work, please bring your homework books in on a **Friday** where Miss Horsfield will be able to offer some verbal feedback.

## Additional Information

- P.E. days will be Tuesday and Friday this half term and the children will need appropriate outdoor kit as the weather turns colder. **Please make sure all items are labelled!**
- Please try and read 3 x a week with your child.
- Please remember to send all queries to [parentcorrespondence@st-peters.notts.sch.uk](mailto:parentcorrespondence@st-peters.notts.sch.uk) and we will get back to you as soon as possible
- Newsletters will be uploaded fortnightly.
- Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February – in school Great Fire of London Partake drama workshop
- Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March – Year 1 nature trip at Beaumanor Hall