

## Learning Spotlight

This past two weeks have been great fun at school. The weeks have gone by so fast, but the children have produced some fantastic work. We started our week off positively having 100% attendance!

In English we have continued our Goldilocks story and we have invented our own stories changing the characters and what happens in the story. Some children read these out in achievement assembly, and we had a sharing English lesson where we all read our whole stories to the whole class. It was so great to hear all the children's ideas put together in their final Goldilocks piece of writing.

In science the children have been continuing their topic of animals. The children have now learnt the different animal groups and can identify which animals belong to which group. The children have also looked at the different animals' parts and explored the difference between animals for example a fish and a dog. We have also looked at what some animals are excellent at. For example, a cat has great night vision.

In PE, the children are continuing with their racket and ball skills. We have seen great improvements in their hand-eye coordination. We also have completed some lessons with our external PE provider. We have had great fun on the field where we have played some different athletics games and also a few games of rounders. The children loved this!

During DT we have been exploring what makes a healthy sandwich. We looked at the different ways of preparing different vegetables, including tearing, chopping, slicing, peeling, and grating. We have also designed a healthy sandwich, and we have invented our own new crisp flavour.

## Maths

In maths we have completed our topic of position and direction. The children's assessments demonstrated that they have a good understanding on this topic. We have since moved onto place value within 100. Here the children have been counting forwards and backwards to 100, using a number line to 100 and have found I more, I less of a given number up to 100. We did really well in this topic and have just started our topic of money. In this topic the children will be able to recognise and name the coins and notes, and count using coins.

# 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. <a href="https://www.eastbridgfordstpeters.co.uk/phonics/">https://www.eastbridgfordstpeters.co.uk/phonics/</a>

#### Homework

The new spelling list has also been uploaded onto our class page. Please encourage your child to read and learn the spellings each week. No formal test will be completed, but the spelling sounds are reviewed in phonics and English lessons.

#### Kids Guinness World Record:

If you are up for a challenge too, as a school we are participating in the kids Guinness World Records. If your child would like to have a look through the website and try one of the challenges, please take part and let us know how you do. Those that complete the challenges will be able to share their challenge with the class and maybe the whole school in achievement assembly. Those who also manage to complete a challenge will receive a certificate. Are you up for the challenge? https://kids.quinnessworldrecords.com/records/

## Reading recommendations:

This week we learnt about Mia. Olivia. Olly, and Orla's reading recommendations:

Mia — 'Tiddler', Mia chose this book because she really enjoys reading it. You could tell
how much she enjoys the book as she knew the book so well! One of the children asked her
'how she feel when she reads the book?' and Mia said it makes her feel happy! Her
favourite character is of course... Tiddler!

Olivia - 'Ten Little Unicorns', Olivia chose this book because she loves unicorns, and it is about going on an adventure which she loves to do. Olivia read the book to the class confidently! We enjoyed that each page subtracted unicorn and was counting down from 10 - 0. The children loved the story and asked some lovely questions, well done Olivia!

Olly - Olly's recommended read: a non-fiction book called 'The World of Dinosaurs' - Olly explained that the book explains about carnivores and herbivores plus pages such as 'spot the difference'. We looked at a page all about the Allosaurus. The children loved learning new facts about dinosaurs!

Orla - Orla's recommended read: a chapter book called 'Bella Donna', Orla explained to the children that the book is about a girl who wants to be a witch and has wanted this since she was a baby. She lives in an orphanage and one of the teachers told her she can't be a witch but when she is adopted, her adopted mother (Lilth) is actually a witch! Orla read her favourite chapter. Well done, Orla! We all en joyed learning about a new book!

Thank you for sharing all of you!

# English

For our talk for writing the children used Goldilocks and the three bears as their key text. We finished our invented stories, and these were fantastic. It is clear that their imaginations are beginning to widen, and their stories have been great to hear! For the next three weeks we will be continuing with this story but adapting it. We are exploring whether Goldilocks should be arrested or not.

# 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!
- > If you have any spare pants (girls and boys) that are too small for you child, we are looking for donations to keep in school as spares across the Key stage.
- Please make sure suncream is applied to your child before the school dau.
- $\triangleright$  Please try and read 3 x a week with your child.
- Please remember to send all queries to parentcorrespondence@stpeters notts sch.uk and we will get back to you as soon as possible.
- Newsletters will be uploaded fortnightly.
- > 3/7/23 Class Swap session
- > 17/7/23 1:30-4:30 Open afternoon
- > 20/7/23 Race for life
- 21/07/23 Last day of term