



Class Three Newsletter – 25.1.18

This Week...

The children have all been writing their own Paddington adventures this week and I have really enjoyed reading the results. We have been improving our writing by using varied sentence starters and including adjectives, adverbs and subordinate clauses. It is lovely to see the children really developing as writers. In our Maths work we have focused on division and its relationship to fractions. The children have been partitioning in different ways and some have moved onto 'chunking' which is a strategy for solving more complex calculations. Our Science work was all about plants and involved us investigating the male and female parts of a plant. Almost half of us initially believed that there were such things as male plants and female plants so we have thoroughly quashed that misconception through dissecting a lily or a tulip. We studied the water cycle in Geography as part of our understanding of rivers, specifically the Amazon. In our RE we explored the Jewish celebration of Shabbat. We were able to handle artefacts to help our understanding and relate our new knowledge to what we have already found out during this topic.

Homework

As you are reading with your child this week, please have them identify different sentence starters, adverbs, adjectives and main and subordinate clauses in their reading book.

Please continue the great work and complete another task from the Amazon homework sheet.

My *peace*
I give unto you
Let not your *heart*
be troubled,
neither let it be afraid.

John 14:27

Our Christian Value this week has been Peace.
May you all enjoy some peace over the weekend.

Special News!

Christian Value Certificate - Peace

Faith Parke for being calm and mature in the classroom setting.

Curriculum Certificate -

Alfie Brown for working really hard in English and being enthusiastic about his learning.

Writer of The Week

Jake Taylor for writing a super Paddington story at home.

Next Week

Our English work will be to write a factual report on Brazil as part of our topic on the Amazon. The children will research new facts about the country and be displaying these in different formats complete with all the features of a report. We will be completing some assessments in Maths to chart the children's progress so far and moving forward with measurement. We will look further at the process of pollination in Science.