

Year 2 Newsletter No. 18 23rd February 2018

We are Artists!

Welcome back after the half term holidays. This half term our new topic theme is “**The Circle of Life.**”

We will be looking at life cycles, animal habitats and begin to explore plants and growth.

Our **RE** work will focus on Easter traditions around the world and our focus texts in **English** are the Mudpuddle Farm Adventures by Michael Morpurgo.

This week in our **English** work we have been introduced to Mossop the farm cat. We have been finding and using contracted words and collected adjectives and interesting phrases from the story to use in our own writing.

In **Mathematics** we have been practising our addition skills and looked at measures using length and mass.



Homework this week:

Reading – Please spend 10 minutes every day reading or sharing a book with your child.

English – Using contractions exercise

Spellings – ly adverbs

Mathematics – Measures challenge tasks.

Extra Mile Challenge - Mathematics tasks have been set for your child.

Talk Time – Can you find the masses of different objects at home? Are big objects always the heaviest? Investigate and discuss what you find.

Things to remember...

Important Notices:

- **Attendance** - If your child arrives **LATE** after the register has closed at 9.05am it is recorded as an unauthorised absence. Please inform school if your child will be late for any reason as soon as you are aware.
- **PE Kits** – Please ensure your child has a **full** kit in school for our games and PE activities this term. This half term your child will be working with the teacher and a coach from PNE this half term.

Next Week – We are Explorers!

In our **English** work we will be exploring the Mudpuddle Farm stories and meeting more of the characters. Our grammar work will focus on apostrophes for possession.

In **Mathematics** we will focus on addition and subtraction of single digit and two digit numbers.

In **RE** we will begin exploring our own experiences of Easter and then look at some other European Easter traditions.

In our **Science** work we will be finding out about how materials can be changed by cooling/freezing.

In our **Art** work we will be exploring the works of Kandinsky and create our own abstract art.



Congratulations!



A big “thumbs up” to **all** our class members who have demonstrated consistent **Outstanding Behaviour** this week!

Harvey, Lola, Kara, Jessica, Jack C, Faye, Isaac P, Katie, Mia, Isaac J, Ruby, Lucy & William.

Other members of the class were **very** close this week to achieving outstanding - keep up the good work!



THUMBS UP!

Star Writer of the Week – Kai

Curriculum Star of the Week – Lola

Christian Value of Justice – William

Thank you for your support, Mrs Ramsay.