



Year 5 Homework Letter

19-1-18



We've had a marvelous time this week making our Viking boats out of our cereal boxes. The children are rightly very proud of their creations and were amazed that an ordinary cereal box could be turned into something quite amazing! They are now on display on our Viking and Anglo-Saxon board in the classroom.

English

In our English lessons this week our focus has been on identifying the grammatical features we would find in a newspaper article. We started the week by exploring the concepts of objectivity and bias. Children were given an objective report about a football match and then asked to re-write it from a biased point of view. As you can imagine this activity really captured the imagination of the footballers in the class! We then related this learning to our book 'The Lost Happy Endings.' The children were given the statement: Jub was mugged. They were then asked to rewrite the statement using fact, opinion, bias and in some cases supposition and impartiality. Towards the end of the week we looked at a newspaper report on Usain Bolt and the children were asked to identify examples of reported and indirect speech within the article. The children then spent time writing their own newspaper article about the theft of the sack of happy endings, incorporating all the grammatical features we had looked at over the past week.

Maths

Our topic this week in Maths has been on subtraction. We have focused on the following four key areas:

- To subtract numbers mentally.
- To subtract whole numbers with 5-digits using the formal written method.
- To estimate the answer to a calculation.
- To subtract whole numbers with 5 and 6 digits using the formal written method and to estimate and check the answer to a calculation.
- To add and subtract decimals to 2 places using the formal written methods.

I will be sending the Maths questions, which the children do in class, home on a Friday, so you can see what we are covering during the week.

Dates for your diary

Monday 22nd January: After school clubs start this week.

Friday 26th January: PTFA Quiz Night starts at 7.30pm

Wednesday 31st January: PTFA Bags2School.

Thursday 1st February: Year 5 + 6 Basketball festival at Oxted School (no spectators).

Monday 5th February: PTFA disco 5.15 - 6.15.

Tuesday 6th February: Safer Internet Day

Thursday 8th February 7pm: KS2 Grammar Workshop.

Homework

For Maths homework this week I have set work on addition and subtraction which you will find on My Maths. For English homework, I have stuck a sheet of spellings in the front of your child's homework book. Please learn the spellings in the **week 6 column** (statutory spelling challenge words). There will be a spelling test on **Friday** and marks will be recorded in homework books for you to see how your child has done. I have also asked children to highlight any words they misspelt, so these can be re-visited. This term I am also introducing grammar activities for the children to complete. Please find the activity stuck into the children's book. We will go over these in class on Friday.



Have a wonderful weekend
Mrs Brooks, Mr Cook and Mr Day.

