

## Literacy

This week we have listened to the story 'It's a Book' by Lane Smith and thought about what makes a book... a book! The children compared books to screen gadgets and thought about the pros and cons of each. In the story, Monkey is reading the book 'Treasure Island'. The children received a letter from the book Treasure Island and wrote their own responses in a letter form. They addressed their letters to Morley Library (because that's where all books live of course!). Next week we will be visiting Morley Library and sharing our favourite books.

## Phonics

KS1: We have been revising the /ure/ sound. This can be a very tricky phoneme and often appears with a neighbouring consonant blend e.g. treasure or picture

Rec: We have revised the Phase 3 trigraph /ear/ and reading the Phase 3 tricky words he, she, we, be, me, my, they, are.

Nur: We have continued practising our listening and attention skills by using listening ears and looking eyes. We have met Sammy Snake and peeked inside his lunchbox. The children practised identifying words with the same initial sounds with the help of Sammy Snake.

## Maths

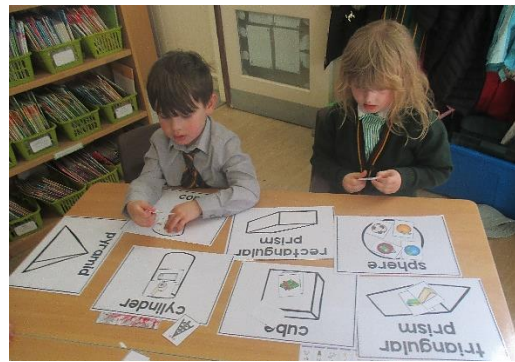
KS1: The children have been practising column addition and subtraction using two and three digit numbers. They have also been having ago at using exchanging. This is when the children may need to 'carry' or 'borrow' from the tens or hundreds column. We have also looked at the properties of 3D shapes and children have matched the 3D shapes to their nets.

Rec: We have revised 2D shapes and their properties and have learned some 3D shapes and their properties. 2D shapes are **flat** and have corners and sides. 3D shapes are **solid** and have faces, edges and vertices. We have also been adding and subtracting by jumping on and back on a number line.

Nur: We have been singing 5 little ducks this week and the children took turns to take ducks away and put them back again. We have been naming 2D shapes and counting their sides and corners. We have looked at the similarities and differences between these shapes and different ways they can be used. The children also explored 3D shapes by printing paint with them and observing the 2D shapes the faces made.

## Topic

In History, we learned about toys that Victorian children would have played with over 100 years ago. We compared these toys to **modern** toys and also saw the difference between toys available to rich and poor families. The children learned that poor children often made their own toys! We made our own thaumatropes in true Victorian style! In DT, the children will be making puppets by sewing fabric and stitching their own embellishments. This week they made a paper mock up of their puppet. In Science, the children planted beans and peas and amazingly, these have started growing already! In PE, the children were introduced to and shown how to play different playground games to inspire them at playtimes. We played Duck, Duck, Goose, What's the Time Mr Wolf, Golden River and Scarecrow Tig. It was lovely to see Reception and Infants starting playground games this week and enticing the Juniors to join in! In RE, the children listened to the story of Noah's Ark.



# Summer 1

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Next week please could the children to bring their favourite book to share with the class and review. After our Literacy topic this week, we were surprised to hear that some children have not had the opportunity to visit a library! We thought it would be a wonderful idea to dust off our library card and walk down to Morley Library next Wednesday to visit as a class.

## Reminders & Notices

- We have not had many donations for prizes for the Spring Fair (Which takes place next week!) Without these we won't be able to hold a tombola, which is always a favourite with the little ones, or be able to give out prizes for the games. Small prize donations & cakes for the cake stall are gratefully welcomed.
- Families are welcome to attend the Spring Fair. We will be running a token system for children to spend at the fair. Please send any cash in for them next week and we will convert into tokens for them.
- Tickets are flying out for the Junior Play, it is always a wholesome event and allows families to see what their children are working towards as they progress through school. We urge you to get your tickets ASAP!
- School will close 2.30pm on Tues 24<sup>th</sup> for the school play
- Grandparents Afternoon Tea is a lovely event on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> at 3pm, which we haven't been able to hold for the last few years. Grandparents are invited to school for a coffee and biscuits as an appreciation for everything they do! Please email Mrs Tanner to let her know if Grandparents would like to attend.

## Next Week

**Monday:** Homework due in

**Tuesday:** PE (pm)

**Wednesday:** Homework goes out, visit to Morley Library (am), Swimming (pm)

**Friday:** Spring Fair (2pm-4pm)