

Literacy

We have been learning how to write different types of lists. We watched an information video about different types of deep-sea creatures and together we wrote a vertical list of these animals using bullet points. We thought of real-life situations that we might need to write a list such as a shopping list or a list of our favourite animals. We then looked at writing horizontal lists using commas in between each item in the list and the word 'and' before the last two items.

Phonics

Reception (Phase 2): We have been focusing on the sounds /f/ /ff/ and /l/ and thinking about words that contain with these sounds. Please have a go at making words with the flashcards taken home this week. Ensure that they are kept safe in their reading folders.

KS1 Phase 3: We have been revising the phase 3 sounds /ar/ /or/ /ur/ and /ow/ sounds. We have been reading and spelling words with these sounds.

KS1 Phase 5: We have looked at the split digraphs and reading and writing longer words containing these.



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Maths

We have been learning about the measure of length and using the correct vocabulary to describe the lengths of different objects. The children used the words longer, shorter and equal to compare the lengths of items around the classroom. We used different non-standard units of measure to measure length, including cubes and beads. We also learnt that the standard unit of measure for measuring length is centimetres and metres. The children used rulers to measure and compare the length of snakes.

Topic

In Geography the children made a fact file about one of the countries in the UK with details about the special features of this country. In Science we thought about the importance of a balanced diet and sorted food into the different food groups. The children came up with an idea for a healthy meal including sensible amounts of each food group. In PSHE, we introduced our Class Helper jobs that we will be assigning next week. Each day a different child will be assigned as class helper and will be in charge of fulfilling these jobs, helping out around the classroom!. In RE the children learnt about what it means to belong to the Muslim community and learnt about a special time when babies are born. The children learnt about the Aqiqah ceremony to celebrate new Muslim babies when they are born.

We have had such a busy week with Ofsted inspectors dropping in on our lessons all week. They were so impressed with the lovely Reception and Infants class, we definitely showed them what makes our school special!

Please be aware that school closes for half term at 1.30pm on Friday 20th Oct for staff training that afternoon.

Find this half term's curriculum map here:

<https://www.queenswoodschool.co.uk/reception-infants>

Find Mrs Tanner's bulletin here:

<https://www.queenswoodschool.co.uk/news-and-events>

Next Week

Monday: Homework due

Tuesday: PE pm

Wednesday: Homework goes out, Swimming (children come to school in PE kits)

Thursday:

Friday: Piano am, no PE, school closes at 1.30pm