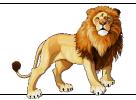


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Lion Class Newsletter

We are fully in the swing of things this term! The children are working hard, learning new things and taking it all in their stride. I am so proud of them for working on their resilience and working hard to achieve new goals.

We are continuing to learn about our rabbits being hunted in our class reader, *Podkin One-Ear*. This adventurous tale has captured the children's imaginations, and we're looking forward to continuing the journey together, discovering what will happen next! Here's a look at what we've been up to and what's coming up:

Guided Reading

We are continuing to study Annie Lumsden, all about a girl who loves the sea, but as she gets older realises her brain works differently to other children her age. This story has inspired some wonderful conversations amongst the children and we have focused on our comprehension to work on the children's deeper understanding of the text. Well done Lion's, I have been so impressed!

<u>Science</u>

Our topic this term is Light. The children have already conducted an exciting shadow experiment, investigating how shadows change in size and position. They demonstrated excellent curiosity and teamwork during this practical activity and we will continue to deep dive into sources of light and how light changes with different variables.

<u>English</u>

We have now started our new text 'Winter's Child.' The story explores a boy who wishes for Winter forever, but soon realises the challenges with having an eternal Winter. This text has given the children opportunities to write letters and poems, and we are gearing up to write our final write, where the children write a sequel! The children have embraced this story and their writing around this book has been amazing!

<u>Maths</u>

In Maths, we have now completed work on graphs and have started our work on fractions. The children are focusing on hundredths and tenths and working on using their math vocabulary 'Numerator' and 'Denominator' when discussing fractions. The children are applying previous knowledge, whilst also building new knowledge in this area of math. Well done Lion's, keep it up!

Certificates

- **Star of the Week:** Vinnie Attwood for contributing to a positive environment in class, with his hard work and respect shown to all.
- **Rights Respecter of the Week:** Benjamin Dannatt for following our school values and demonstrating the WW way.
- **PE Star:** Antonia Howard-Charalampous for working hard in our PE sessions and contributing ideas to choreography, showing leadership.
- **Reader of the Week:** Olivia Foy for being independent in her reading and striving to read more books with a varied genre.

Reminders and Key Dates

- **PE Days:** Monday & Thursday
- Spelling Test: Every Friday
- **Homework:** Please continue practicing on TT Rockstars and encourage regular reading at home to support Accelerated Reader quizzes.

Healthy Schools

We have recently become a Healthy School. This means our school menu has been changed to include more nutritious meals and desserts are fruit and yoghurt for majority of our week. We are hoping that parents can help support their children's healthy lifestyle by providing healthy snacks for break times and packed lunches are containing healthy options, with minimal sugar where possible.

To see all our latest learning and for school updates, please follow @lparr_miss and @WhistonWillis1 on twitter.

Thank you for your continued support. Miss Parr

