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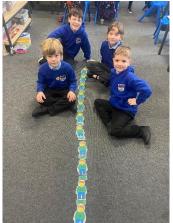
Welcome to another instalment of the P1-3 blog! We are going to begin our week with Maths! As usual, the children have been busy completing their tasks in class! Robert and Phoenix wasted no time at all getting to grips with friends of five and making the sums. George, Zoe, Cooper and Rowan started the week remembering what friends of 100 were and they recorded their work systematically. Searching for friends of 11 – it's Autumn, Logan and Darcey and Brooke and Elsie!



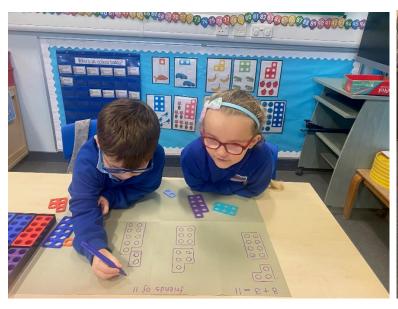










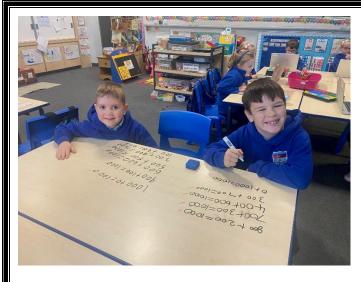




A final challenge – can you make friends of 1000?

We sure can! Here's George and Cooper, Zoe and Rowan writing their ideas straight onto the desk!

Hip Hip Hooray for Monday Maths!





We are all loving our Maths at the moment – even if it's tricky! Tuesday Maths was just as good! Brooke, Darcey, Logan, Autumn and Elsie were finding friends of twelve by fishing the frogs and popping them on the correct lilypad!















Phoenix and Robert have been busy making friends of five using play-doh and figures. They wrote out their work directly on the table – what a good effort boys!

Ten more and ten less – it's Rowan, Cooper, George and Zoe!

Many Happy Returns!



It's Many Happy Returns of the day to Rowan Sixsmith who was seven over the weekend!

His best present was the ball that returns to you when thrown! It sounds excellent – and a lot of fun!

Rowan also told us about his horse riding – we'd love to see pictures of this activity!

And the carrot cake sounds lovely! We all hope you had a lovely day!

Literacy:

Phoenix and Robert are matching up the letters to make words.... Darcey, Elsie and Autumn are beavering away at their spellings for the week! Rowan in a quiet moment – catching up on his reading book!













P1-3 Book Bags!

It's that time of year when we receive our book bags! We spent a bit of time exploring the contents and also talking about them with a friend! What an exciting start to our week!





















Here are P1-3 with their bags!

We look very pleased with ourselves indeed!

Enjoy them everybody!

Setting Goals!



We think we are really improving at thinking about next steps on our learning journey. We have set some goals for Literacy and Numeracy to try and work towards over the coming months! Let's see if we can reach our goals shall we?

Working with ice:

A further experiment this week – two lumps of ice in two bowls. One has salt on it, the other hasn't. Which will melt first?

After considering this for a while, we decided that the salt will help the ice to melt more quickly. This is because salt particles make it harder for water particles to freeze back onto the ice, the ice that is in contact with dissolved salt melts faster.

My mother used to put fireplace ashes on our paths back in the day to stop us slipping in icy weather. Does anyone else remember that one?





Our first picture shows salt added to the ice block and our second picture taken twenty minutes later!

We used baking trays filled with ice to help us re-create Penguin Small's landscape. We had our small penguins and glass pebbles to use and in addition - pieces of lego... of course we all got busy! We added our own parts – water and waves with blue card; toboggan slides for penguins using toilet roll tubes.























All our landscapes were excellent. I noticed Robert very busy making a boat and it reminded me of Shackleton's ship Endurance. It is such a great factual story and it reminds me of how difficult it is to ever live at the South Pole!

The children loved touching and pressing the ice.. It's in our newest acquisition – a baby bath!

A few quick shares....







No – not the baby bath – but in fact Darcey and Brooke with their selection of dolls and teddies! They were keen to share them all with us – and what a haul you have girls! Have we seen them before? I begin to wonder if your mum has a loft full!

Here's George with his fantastic model! What a great effort – hasn't he got a super set of gnashers! Zoe brought in her guitar and gave us a super lesson on how to use it! Here's Brooke with her transformer; Autumn with one of her birthday presents – a marvellous sticker book!









Now it's Darcey with her London Underground teddy – he seems very interested in our work today! Phoenix with his binoculars and his Ninja Turtle.... I'm sure we've seen these before somewhere........

Rowan has received a visit from the tooth fairy... He has one Euro to share with us! Are you going to save it up Rowan?













Well it's not quite the Northern Lights but....

We used the kaleidoscopes to look at all the beautiful coloured lights and patterns after discussing viewing the Northern Lights at various times of the year.











...And of course here's the real view!

Taken over Ardhasaig and the North Harris Hills last weekend!

Look who I've spotted....



Look who I spotted having a quick go on our frog fishing game when she thought nobody was looking!

That's right – it's Anne Marie! She obviously couldn't resist seeing if she was up to the task of finding friendly numbers during our Maths session today!

You've been clocked Anne Marie!

Worker of the term - update...





George has been busy growing germs after winning the worker of the term prize in October! He is delighted with his box of science equipment – and he wanted us to see the results. One tub shows clean hands and the other tub has a rubbing taken from his own dirty nails! I can see the difference, George! Thank you very much indeed for sharing this with us!

Hot off the press....



Logan has been feeling under the weather – but not enough to stop him going over his sounds it seems.....

He just loves the Alphablocks – and here he is working away on the "ai" sound... this week's homework in fact!

I am so glad you shared this with us Logan! You are trying really hard!

We are missing you in school and hope you are feeling better soon!

That's it for this week everybody!

Have a great weekend!