

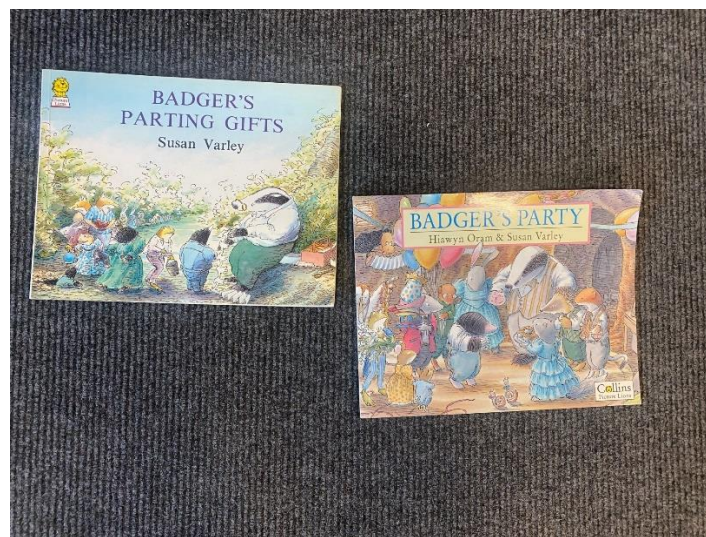
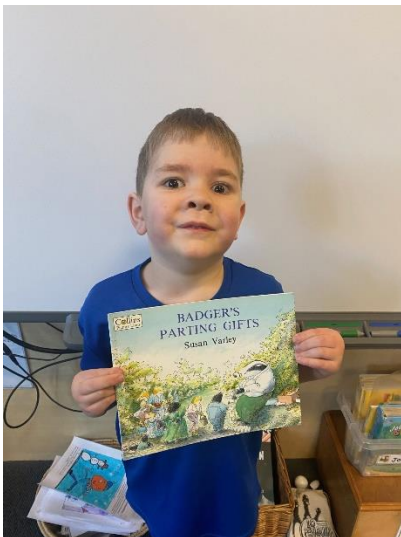
Primary 1-3 Class:

It's another week in school already! I can see the year flying by.... Here we go then with a sombre start to this week's blog...

Heather Board:



It is with great sadness that I announce the recent death of Heather Board who came into class on a weekly basis as our volunteer. She was a marvellous storyteller and many children who have been through the class over the years were tremendously fond of her – as she was of them. In addition, she was a very dear friend of mine and I will miss her very much indeed. I did a bit of searching and managed to come up with these photos taken when Heather was 80 years old in 2019. I am sure both parents and children remember attending the little party at the Community Centre! What a star she was!



George brought in Badger's Parting Gifts for the class to share. It's a great story about losing someone dear. It made us all think about what wonderful memories we have of Heather.

I did a bit of rooting around and found Badger's Party. Another book in the same series. You are in good company George! I have both books myself and would recommend them – they are beautiful stories!

Many Happy Returns:



It's Many Happy Returns of the day to Zoe Gerard who celebrated her 7th birthday this week!

I believe Zoe is the person to go to if you are looking for some fantastic jewellery as this was one of her presents...

Zoe will also get to choose her birthday tea!

We hope you had a lovely day!

Literacy!

We continue to work hard on our literacy tasks even though we are busy with our seasonal production. Rowan, Zoe, Cooper and George are all busy on their grammar tasks! Busy on match and spell – it's Robert and Phoenix!



Phoenix and Robert are ordering words to make sensible sounding sentences!

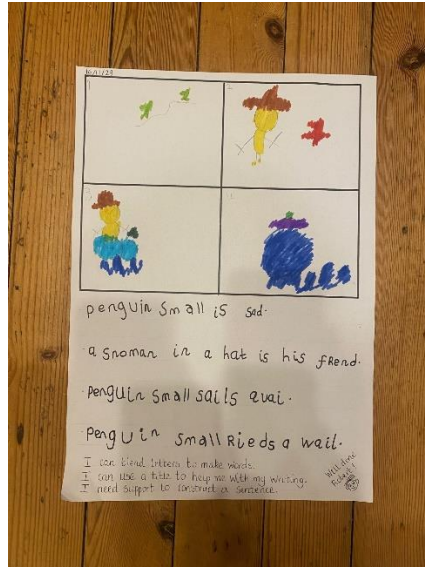
Keep trying boys – you are getting there!

We continue to work towards our goals that we have set ourselves... Here's Brooke remembering capital letters and full stops! Rowan is thinking about adding adjectives to make interesting sentences... George has completed his sentences and is colouring his picture while checking that his colouring matches the content of his sentences! Mrs. Mackinnon was tickled pink!



Later on in the week we continued our work on Penguin Small. It was tricky remembering our goals and seeing if we could use our knowledge in our own written work!





A special mention must go to Robert Stark for his efforts this week!

Robert is just beginning to blend his letters together and with a little support he wrote these lovely sentences by blending.

He was also able to find the title of the book and use it to help him with his writing.

Well done, Robert! I am so proud of you!

Maths:

Our Maths work has also continued apace this week! Robert and Phoenix are exploring different ways of making five; It's friends of 14 for Brooke and Darcey!



Children are also working on adding 9 – by adding 10 and adjusting. We are doing this using a blank number line. This is a new concept for our class this year... hopefully the children will get that they can do this mentally – but for now it is good to write down our jottings and use numicon to check answers!





We are continuing to find friends of teens numbers....

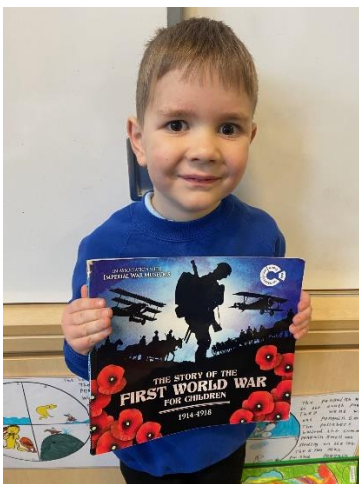
Autumn and Elsie and Darcey and Brooke are taking a breather after completing this tricky task!

Well done girls!



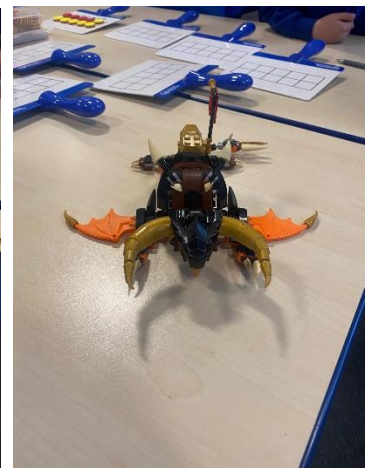
Sharing:

George has shared this beautiful book all about the First World War... can you see the beautiful poppies on the front? Most families have someone who went to the Western Front and didn't come home again. Armistice Day (11th November) is a day to remember all those men who lost their lives in battle. Thank you, George, for sharing this with us!



A further share from George illustrates a love of using lego! George with a little help from his mum, made all these super lego models – some of them looked rather tricky to make, but I think you have nailed this challenge, George!

....Talking of models – here's Rowan with Rocky! The pieces look quite tricky to fit together also, but I think you have succeeded too! We certainly have some great model makers in our class, don't we?



More shares now this time from Autumn... This little collection formed part of Autumn's birthday present, but she tells me it would have been too tricky to bring in all the different bits to show us! I don't blame you Autumn – I wouldn't like you to lose them all!



And not to be outdone – here's Phoenix with his collection of Ninjas! We all wondered if he ever puts the helmets on a different coloured Ninja – but he didn't tell us! Perhaps it's a secret!



You all know how much I like learning outwith school.... Here's Rowan going horse-riding. If I remember correctly, it was part of his birthday present. What a fabulous way to spend a day! Thanks, Alexe, for sharing this....



It has certainly been a week for sharing!

Here's Brooke giving us a tuneful rendition on her glockenspiel!

Darcey, meanwhile couldn't resist showing us her lovely cheetah cub – fantastic!



Performance Update....

We are busy working on our little performance – and this week was no exception! Here we are using the gymnastic ribbons! What next, I wonder? Well – Gaelic singing of course! Here we are in the music room!



George is getting into the spirit of things... he's wearing a costume already! Further work on Friday morning and the gymnastic ribbons are given another outing! Come on everyone – it's starting to look really professional!

Winter is approaching....



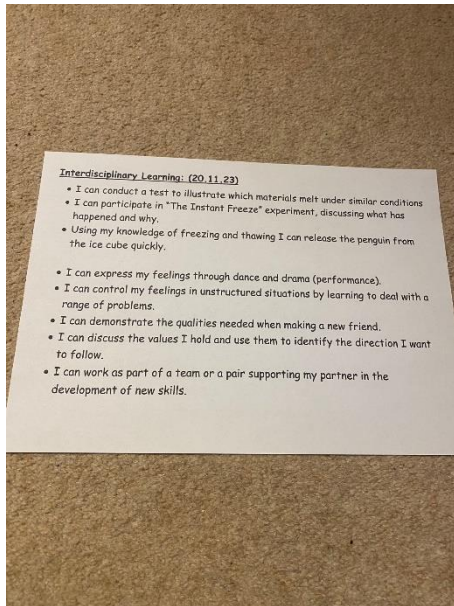
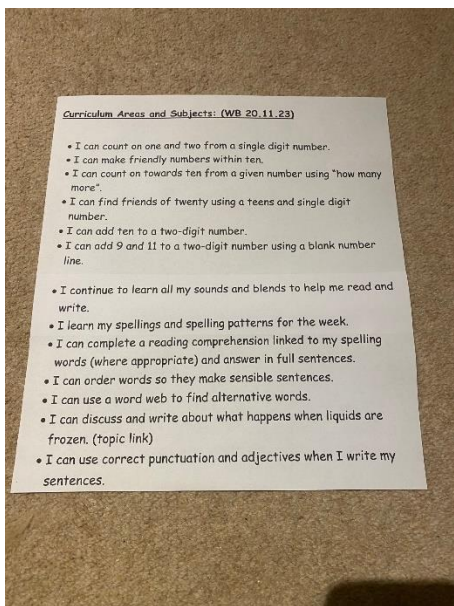
Winter is almost upon is.... I think Cooper is hoping for snow.....

Look at this marvellous snowman! Cooper has made him from a sock and decorated the snowman himself!

I think Cooper has done a pretty good job don't you?

Let's hope for a white festive season!

Next Learning Block:



Here is an idea of the sort of things we will be learning over the next couple of weeks in class!

Have a great weekend everyone!