

Next week in Year 2
Week Beginning 18th November 2024



Spellings

Starting from next week, the children will be having a spelling quiz on Fridays. We will let you know the words that will be in the quiz each week so that they can be practised at home. The words in each quiz are selected as they are either frequently used and incorrectly spelt words, common exception words and/or words that we will most likely use in our writing next week.

This week's spelling quiz words:

Down, use, stopped, whole, last

When practising at home, start off by letting your child see the word and copy it up. Then see your child can cover the word up and spell it correctly from memory. Keep practising till they are confident and accurate. Make practising these words memorable by writing with and on different materials, or against the clock. Get the stopwatch up on your phone, how many times can they write one of the words in a minute? Can they write the chosen word more times in a minute than you can?

If the quiz highlights there is still a word or two your child is finding problematic, we will support them with learning and memorising them during what is left of the week.

What we will be doing in school

English

This week the children are using their knowledge of the Great Fire of London to become news reporters! They will learn and facts about what happened during the fire and finish the week by publishing their own newspaper report.

How you can help at home



Can you have a look at some real life newspapers? What features do you notice? What makes a newspaper stand out? What tense are they written in?

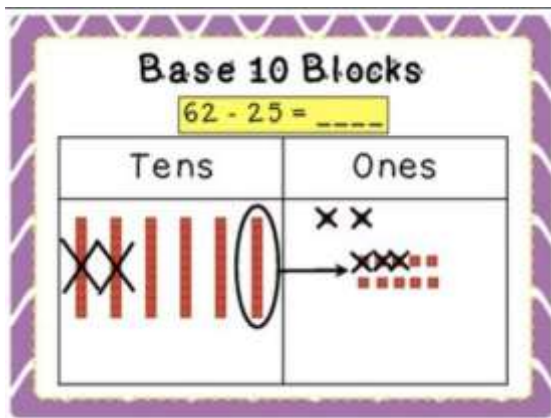
Have a go writing your own newspaper report about an event in your life e.g. a birthday party, a new baby, a trip you've been on?

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Maths

We'll be working on exchange again this time, but as it's with subtraction we'll be exchanging a one ten rod for ten ones to complete the subtraction problems. Then we'll round the week off with some mixed addition and subtraction sentences solved in one go, to make sure the children are paying attention to the symbols.



If you didn't try this last week, get your child to add 10 to a number under 90 that doesn't end in zero, e.g.; $23 + 10$, $42 + 10$, not hard in and of itself, but keep going with this until it's instant. Once that's mastered, do the same with subtraction with any number under 100 that doesn't end in zero. If you had a crack at this last week change the 10 to 20, 30 or 40.

History: The Great Fire of London

Next week the children will be answering the question: What was firefighting like in 1666? The children will then compare what it was like to 2024 looking at equipment, the geography and landscapes and modern technology.

Take a look at images or videos of firefighters today. What pieces of equipment do they use?



Science: This week we will be continuing our work on weather. The focus will be on the wind. The children will learn, in simple terms, how wind is caused and how windy it can get in the UK. We will be creating wind vanes to monitor what way the wind is blowing. After we will look at record breaking wind speeds around the world.



[Click this LINK](#) to watch a BBC weather forecast.



Can you spot the symbols that tell you the direction and speed of the wind?

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DT: The children will be baking biscuits using methods and ingredients used in the 17th century. After they will be tasting them and conducting a survey to see if this product is tasty or needs to be improved.



Computing: The children will continue their photography unit. They will be looking how to take great photo. This week they will be thinking about whether the object is in focus, is centred, framed and positioned correctly.

Can your child use a digital camera or a device that can take photos of these different objects:

- A tree
- A close up of a flower
- A member of the family
- A tall building

Get them to practise taking them at different angles and see which works best.