

## This Week

It has been a great week culminating in World Book Day yesterday. The children's costumes were amazing and they loved moving around the carousel of book-related learning, participating in a book-related activity in each KS2 classroom: from creating sound effects for a story, to book-inspired art to PSHÉ friendship drama.



## Maths and English

This week in maths we have been revising fractions: comparing, ordering, converting, adding, subtracting, multiplying, dividing and solving word problems. It is great to see how much more confident the children.

This week in English we have completed our two week poetry topic, writing poems about Spring, inspired by our walk to Lydekker Park on Tuesday. We hope to see you at the **poetry performance assembly on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March.**

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## Home Learning

Apologies that the Spring 2 home learning didn't make it home until Monday – week one learning is now due in next Wednesday.

**Maths pre-learning: next week is SATs mocks week so times tables times tables times tables practice please – the children need to know any times tables or division fact on demand!**

**English pre-learning – next week we will be exploring explanation texts linked to climate change and our science topic, classification. Read as many explanation texts as you can and discuss the key features (see below) ready for next week. In particular revise modal verbs and different tenses.**

This week's **reading response** – over the next two weeks read at least three different explanation texts and identify the key features of this genre by annotating the text or making a list: \*subheadings \*technical vocabulary \*data to support explanation \*relative clauses to add detail \*modal verbs to suggest what may happen as a result \*shift between tenses (past, present, future)

The **spelling task** this week is to explore the grapheme 'ch' finding when it makes 'ch' sound eg church, when it makes 'sh' sound eg machine, and when it makes c sound like chorus.

**Enjoy the start of Spring,  
Mrs Watson, Miss Curtis and Mrs Storey**

## Proud Cloud and Fine diner

Our Proud Cloud this week is **Caoimhe** for showing courage and determination in not only learning a tricky poem by heart, but performing it all the way through in our poetry assembly.

Our fine diner this week is **Antony** for his improved behaviour during lunchtimes in the dining room.

## Next Week

Next week is **science week**. On Wednesday we will be dissecting hearts with Mark the scientist, on Thursday we will be taking part in archery activities and on Friday we will participate in the electric pedal, generating our own electricity. We'd love to see you at the **family science event Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> March 6.30 – 8pm.**

**SATS** are only 6 school weeks away - please continue to support your child in eating and sleeping healthily as well as practising core skills daily eg reading discussions, spellings & rapid times tables. **Booster classes are now running Mondays 3.20 – 4pm and Wednesdays 3.20 – 4pm** (children have been invited). Next Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March there will be no session as Mrs Watson is on a Year 6 moderation day – the session will take place Tuesday during assembly instead.

We are running our final mock SATs week next week to celebrate the huge progress made since December and to ensure the final few weeks learning are targeted as helpfully as possible for the children.