

Year 1 - Week Commencing 15th January 2018

Maths

This week, we will be linking our learning about number and place value to measures. We will be learning about weighing and mass and introducing the idea that objects are weighed using grams and kilograms. We will be comparing objects and deciding which are heavier and lighter, finding the mass of different objects around class using balance scales and using our number knowledge to read scales and total amounts of grams.

English

We are continuing with 'Mr Wolf and the Enormous Turnip' which the children are loving! This week, we will be sequencing the story and retelling it before we then innovate and change parts of the story to create our own e.g. Mr Bear and the Enormous Carrot. We will be drawing storyboards to retell our own stories. Guided Reading and Phonics will continue daily. Spellings will be sent home on Monday.

Theme

Last week, the children really enjoyed trying to make a computer-simulated plant grow - although not many of them succeeded! I have included the link for the website we used for this game so that children can have another try at home (see below). We learnt that plants need water, light and heat to help them grow - but not too little or too much. This week, we will be planting bean seeds (and keeping them indoors!). We will also be writing information in a 'Big Write' about growing flowers and drawing /labelling our own flower. We will be learning about the art work of Heather Galler and recreating some of her work. We will be learning about what an 'algorithm' is and exploring Purple Mash 2Go. Your child has a Purple Mash login that they can use at home too (see below).

Extras

French will be on Friday with Madame Wardle. P.E is on **Wednesday (with me / Phil)** and **Thursday (with Miss Burn)**. I am out of class on Friday as usual this week and Thursday afternoon for my PPA. Miss Burn will be teaching, with Mrs Greenwood to support. **You will also see Mr Bailey, our student teacher, teaching some of the lessons this week..**

Homework Challenge:

<http://www.sciencekids.co.nz/gamesactivities/plantsgrow.html>

Purple Mash log in details: www.purplemash.com/coates-bb18

See separate login sheet sent home for details of individual usernames and passwords.

Phonics Focus This week: Miss Burn's group are being assessed and playing phonic games this week. Mrs Boon's group are focusing on different pronunciations of *ie* and *ea* and learning about the homograph *read*. Our 'Word of the Week' is *wolf*.