



Year 2 Homework letter—Friday 6th January 2022

Happy New Year! I hope you all had a lovely, relaxing Christmas! On behalf of the Year 2 team, thank you for the beautiful and thoughtful Christmas gifts we received. I loved my afternoon tea. It has been great to see all of the children come back with such energy and enthusiasm. We are looking forward to another packed and fun filled term.

English

On Tuesday, I found something strange in the art cupboard. There were lots of signs on the door—**Warning!, Don't Touch it!, It might be scary!** Inside there was an shaggy, old rug and **some pears. How odd! This was the 'hook' for our new text** which we will be enjoying over the next three weeks - **'The Bear Under the Stairs'** by Helen Cooper.

We used this hook to help us identify the four different sentence types—question, exclamation, command and statement and to write some of our own. Also we looked at identifying homophones (words which sound the same but have different spellings and meanings) and used the word from the title—**'Bear'**—to start us off eg. **The boy loved his bear, compared with 'bare' - Old Mother Hubbard's cupboard was bare.**

LoveWorks

Following the excellent response over the last few years, we have once again decided to support the local charity LoveWorks as one of our **half termly 'love projects.'** Love Works helps those in need of food and can also offer support with paying utility bills. To support LoveWorks, **we are running our 'Tin A Week' project again.** As the name suggests, we are asking for children to bring in one item a week for the next five weeks. We hope that we can reach at least 500 items by half term. The items needed are listed below in priority order:

UHT semi skimmed milk, shampoo, toilet rolls, tins of meat casserole, tinned corn beef, ham etc, long life fruit juice, tinned fruit, porridge oats, soup, tuna, pasta sauce, jam, rice, tinned potatoes/smash, tinned vegetables, tinned tomatoes, breakfast cereals, tinned custard/rice pudding, deodorant/anti perspirant.

To find out more about LoveWorks please follow the link <http://www.lovethearts.org.uk/> Thank you in advance for your support.

We hope you all have a restful weekend.
Mrs Cordey, Miss Murray and Miss Lindsay

Maths

This week in Maths our focus has been perfecting our addition and subtraction methods when adding and subtracting 2 digit numbers. Next week we move onto multiplication and division. We are also practising times tables every afternoon—this week we focused on the 2 times table.

Homework

Spellings: Please learn the spellings that are stuck into the homework book. There is also an interactive activity for the children to practise their spelling on PurpleMash. Children should know their login details by now.

English: Please read the comprehension text and answer the questions. You may choose to complete the reading comprehension in place of the children's daily reading.

Maths: Please complete the addition questions stuck into the homework book, using the jotting/drawing method.

Guided Reading

This week we have completed a reading comprehension which is in the format of the second reading challenge which takes place in May. The text is in one section and the questions in another. We are focusing on finding the key words in the question and then finding them in the text before underlining the answer.

Diary Dates

PTFA Evening Event—27th January 2023

'A Visit to China' Day - Monday 23rd January 2023

PTFA School Disco—Thursday 9th February

Half Term—Monday 13th February - 17th February 2023

St. David's Day - yellow shirt—Wednesday 1st March 2023