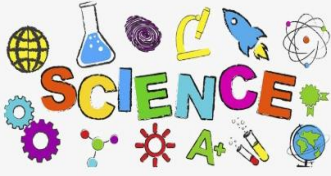


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in Year 1



In science we have been exploring materials. We have looked at everyday objects and identified what materials they are made from. We have also learned that materials have different properties and we can describe them using vocabulary such as soft, hard, bumpy, smooth, transparent and opaque.



This Month's Super Learners

Selwyn Class

Congratulations to Rosabelle who is this month's super learner. She always has a brilliant attitude towards her learning and works hard on everything she does.

Homerton Class

Congratulations to Rhea who is our super learner this month. Rhea has improved so much with writing this month through using her phonics and including adjectives in her sentences.



In English, we have been writing adventure stories based on the text 'Lost in the Toy Museum.' We discussed what makes a good story.

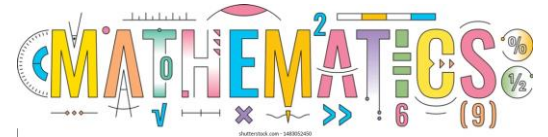
We focused on sentence starters to tell the reader when something is happening. When we wrote our own version of the story, the children created their own character and settings where their character would look for the lost toys.

In guided reading, we have read some great stories such as 'Naughty Bus' and 'Toys in Space.' We enjoyed both stories and the children are continuing to develop their skills in fluency, vocabulary, inference, retrieval and sequence.



In history, we have been learning about toys from the past. We explored toys our grandparents and parents may have played with. We discussed our favourite toys and linked our discussion with science to talk about the materials toys are made from.

Recently, we learned about Victorian toys and how they are different to the toys we have today.



This month we have focused on place value within 50. The children enjoyed representing numbers using different manipulatives. We applied our understanding to ordering and comparing numbers looking at greater than, less than and equal to.

We have also begun our unit on fractions - describing what half is as well as finding half of a shape and quantity. Next, we will learn about quarters.

This month, we are learning our 10 times tables.

