

Sycamore Class Weekly Blog – Week 9

Thank you all for your wonderful work last week! I am delighted to see how much you are enjoying our new spelling programme. Keep an eye on that leaderboard, who will be top this week?

It has also been lovely receiving pictures of the extra projects some of you have been completing at home. This is why Anya is Sycamore's Star of the Week! Almost every week she sends me pictures of her extra projects.

The annual Summer Reading Challenge is launching earlier than usual and this year has a "Silly Squad" theme; being a celebration of funny books featuring artwork from award-winning children's author and illustrator Laura Ellen Anderson. The challenge website www.sillysquad.org.uk is free to access and is a place for children to rate and review their books and work towards their reading goal. It features video content, games, quizzes, and digital and downloadable activities to incentivise and encourage children to take part at home. Northumberland Libraries are joining the Reading Agency in celebrating the digital start of the challenge, which will be launched on **Saturday 11th July**. There will be more details of digital events on the Northumberland Libraries website www.mylibrary.co.uk and social media pages.

This week's learning

We are going to start new units in both English and Science. In English you have your Reading Plus, Spelling Frame and we are starting to investigate our new text of Goodnight Mister Tom. You will be delving into the first chapter by exploring the language the author uses before completing grammar tasks, parenthesis and planning your diary entry. In maths, we are finishing our work on fractions by multiplying fractions, mixed numbers and finding the fraction of amounts. In Science we are going to start a new topic where we investigate the effect of diet and exercise on our bodies. Before we can move onto the investigations we need to understand the circulatory system.

Work to submit this week:

This week I would like you to submit a copy of your arithmetic and brackets work from writing lesson 1.

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Don't forget if you have any questions to drop me a message or why not make a post on our Google classroom so your classmates can help too.

English

Lesson 1- Spellings

Your new spellings have been set on Spelling Frame. Make sure you take the test before Monday 15th June.

Lesson 2- Reading Plus

Make sure you log on and work through your 5 lessons.

Lesson 3- Reading Goodnight Mister Tom

Before you read Chapter 1 from the book Goodnight Mister Tom have a look at the PowerPoint, which will help you make a prediction about the book. Then making sure you have a highlighter or pencil handy underline the vocabulary and phrases that tell the reader how the characters are feeling.

Lesson 4- Reading Lesson 2

The PowerPoint helps you to complete the 4 Grammar based activities for Chapter 1.

Lesson 5- Writing Lesson 1

Go through the PowerPoint to remind yourself about parenthesis and brackets. Then complete the brackets activity before planning your diary entry.

Maths

This week in maths we are going to look at multiplying fractions, mixed numbers and finding fractions of amounts. Please work through the PowerPoints and complete the matching pages in your Home Learning pack. This week we are also completing our TTRockstar and the 1st sheet from your arithmetic booklet. Make sure you have some paper handy and complete the examples, like we do using whiteboards in class.

Lesson 1- TTRockstar- 10 Garage sessions

Lesson 2-Arithmetic- Submitted task

Complete the first page from your arithmetic booklet

Lesson 3 - Multiply fractions by an integer

Lesson 4- Multiply Mixed numbers

Lesson 5- Fraction of amounts

Science-

This week we are starting our new science unit looking at how diet and exercise affect our bodies. To start we are going to investigate the circulatory system- our hearts and lungs. Work through the PowerPoints and then complete the 1st 2 pages of your sciences sheets from your home learning pack.

As always I am only an email away.

Stay safe and keep smiling

Miss B