



9th February 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

In English, the children have been learning about the poet, Benjamin Zephaniah. They studied his life and the causes that inspired his poetry. They also had a go at performing one of his poems, Talking Turkeys. They had great fun creating a performance, using a variety of intonation, expression and actions to make their performance interesting to the audience. They also had a go at writing their own poem inspired by Benjamin Zephaniah's poem, People Need People. In science they continued to investigate what makes a balance meal and why the body needs a variety of different foods to keep it healthy, they then thought about how they could create their own balanced meal. In Geography, they learned about climates and how different areas of the world have different climates and they looked at the animals that are adapted to living in these different climates.

Reminder: Tuesday 13th February will be the last forest school of this half term. Please make sure your child has a change of shoes.

Home Learning: Reading is the key focus of the school and daily reading with and to your children will benefit their learning and understanding of all areas of the curriculum. All the children have been given a log in to **Collins Big Cat** and books to read will be set on there. Please note that sometimes it seems take a couple of attempts to successfully log on, however, if you have difficulties logging on, please contact your child's class teacher, their email is on this letter. There will also be a sheet of activities on **Teams** to complete if your children would like to add to their learning and their work can be uploaded back onto Teams to share with the class. Activities will also be set on **Mathletics**.

Next week in **Maths**, they children will be consolidating the different methods they have learned for multiplying and dividing.

They will also continue to work on learning the 8 times table.

Next week in **Art**, the children will be working on an art project inspired by Alberto Giacometti, the Swiss sculptor. They will be creating their own sculptures based on the human form.

Spellings will be focusing on words ending in the suffix '-le'.

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terrible

article

battle

possible

adjustable

settle

humble

example

struggle

capable

Spring 2

earth

eight

eighth

enough

exercise

experience

experiment

extreme

famous



Year 3/4 Spelling List – for reference

Year A	earth	length	regular
accident	eight	library	reign
accidentally	eighth	material	remember
actually	enough	medicine	sentence
address	exercise	mention	separate
answer	experience	minute	special
appear	experiment	natural	straight
arrive	extreme	naughty	strange
believe	famous	notice	strength
bicycle	favourite	occasion	suppose
breath	February	occasionally	surprise
breathe	forwards	often	therefore
build	fruit	opposite	though
busy	grammar	ordinary	although
business	group	particular	thought
calendar	guard	peculiar	through
caught	guide	perhaps	various
centre	heard	popular	weight
century	heart	position	woman
certain	height	possess	women
circle	history	possession	
complete	imagine	possible	
consider	increase	potatoes	
continue	important	pressure	
decide	interest	probably	
describe	island	promise	
different	knowledge	purpose	
difficult		quarter	
disappear	Year B	question	
early	learn	recent	