

Monday 29th January to Friday 2nd February

Here is an overview of some of the activities we will be doing this week.

Maths

This week, we will finish our unit on money by calculating the change. We will find the change that should be given for different items in a shop, using the subtraction strategies we learnt earlier in the term. We will then start a new unit on multiplication and division. We will start by recognising equal groups. E.g. 'There are 4 pots with 5 pens in each = There are four 5s'. We will then start making equal groups ourselves and be able to describe them mathematically. Then start adding equal groups together by counting in multiples.

Handwriting and Phonics

In phonics, we will be looking at the **magic e** sound. E.g. **game, fine, note.**

In handwriting, we will be practising all the letters.

Our 'words of the week' will be: **mind, behind & climb**

Children need to be able to spell these by the end of the week.

English

In English, we will continue our unit of work based around a book called 'The Emperor's Egg' by Martin Jenkins. We will write sentences that explain the lifecycle of an Emperor penguin. We will act like penguins and think about interesting verbs that describe the different ways penguins move (e.g. Waddle, slide). We will use these verbs to create our own penguin shape poems. Then, we will create some music to accompany our poems, using a range of different instruments. Finally, we will find out more about the Emperor penguin and answer questions about them.

Topic

We will learn what it was like to live in Victorian times. We will look at various pictures from the time and will then compare them to our lives now.

Reminders:

On **Wednesday 31st January**, all Year 2 classes will be having a story morning. The classrooms will be open from **8.50am** and you will be free to stay in class until **9.05am**, when we will call children to the carpet to begin the school day. Please enter through the external doors where you would usually drop your child in the morning and exit via the school office, if you stay until **9.05am**.