

## HEAD TEACHER'S HIGHLIGHTS

Dear Parents,

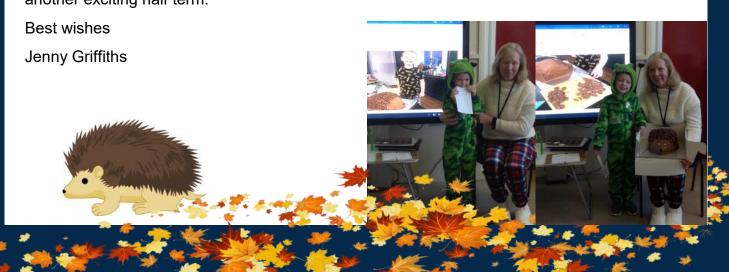
We have had a fantastic last week of the half term with so much going on. The children so enjoyed their Harvest Festival. It is the first time the children have done a little performance in front of so

many adults for such a long time. Staff were very proud of them as I am sure you were too. Well done to all. Many thanks to Reverend Zoe, Liz and Katie, they are so kind to welcome us into their wonderful church and spend time singing with us. It really helps our children develop a sense of belonging to their community.

Lots of great work to celebrate, with children completing their Mathletics, doing some super writing about tunnels and pumpkins, excellent phonics work and so much reading going on. Our children are showing a fantastic learning attitude and we are always pleased with each little achievement.

Hibernation day has been a lovely day. The children looked ready for bed from the start of the day, and the staff are definitely ready to hibernate, well at least for half term. Thank you to Mrs Lewis for bring in Sheldon the tortoise. It was extremely interesting to find out all about him and the process that he needs to go through before he can go into hibernation. The children were fascinated and asked lots of interesting questions. We also had a wonderful hedgehog chocolate cake made by Mrs Guthrie and her little chef, it was delicious and so chocolatey. Friends of School took time to help us with hot chocolate drinks and organised our cake sale. All donations will be going towards supporting more events and activities for the children. Thank you to all those involved in our special day.

I would like to wish you a safe and happy half term. I hope you get chance to spend time with friends and family and the children come back refreshed and ready for another exciting half term.





#### IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE DIARY

HALF TERM—Monday October 25th—Monday 1st November—Children return to school Tuesday 2nd November 2021

Tuesday 2nd November—Parents Afternoon Evening on Teams

Friday 12th November—-Flu Vaccinations—Information to follow after half term.

#### This Week's Winning Team is





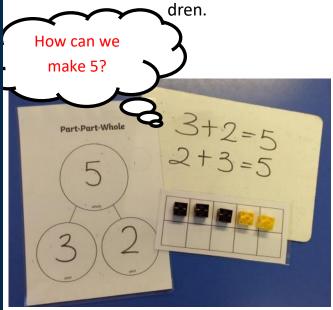


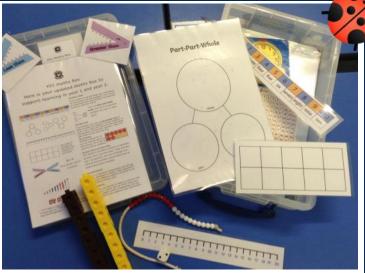
Change to Lunch menu **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November** 

When we return to school on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November we will be on Week 1 of the menu however the lunch on this day will change to Big Breakfast, the rest of the week will remain unchanged.

#### **Maths Boxes**

We are in the process of updating our Key Stage 1 Maths Boxes for the children to use at home. We have just completed the first set of boxes for the year 1 chil-





There is a variety of resources in the box which your child will be familiar with as we use them in our maths lessons. If you have time you might like to see if your child can make number bonds to 5 using the part part whole model, the tens frame and the white-board.

If anyone would like to ask questions about how to use the resources please don't hesitate to contact by email sharon.powell2@taw.org.uk

#### **SCHOOL ADMISSIONS**

The online admissions application process is now available at <a href="www.telford.gov.uk/admissions">www.telford.gov.uk/admissions</a>. The following deadlines apply this year:

- · Applying for Reception Year school places to start in September 2022 (starting school for the first time) closing date 15 January 2022
- · Applying for Infant to Junior school (Year 2 into Year 3) places to start in September 2022 (current Year 2 pupils) closing date 15 January 2022
- · If a child has an Education, Health & Care Plan the closing date is 31st October 2021 for all applications.



## Hibernation Day





## CLASS 1

It's been all things Harvest, Halloween and Hibernation this week in class one!

Reception have been thinking about 'more' and 'fewer' in their Maths this week and year one have been using bar models and part whole models. Conkers have featured heavily in our Maths sessions!

In English we have written spooky potion ingredients, described spooky pictures and written instructions on how to grow a pumpkin!

As well as all this super Maths and English work we have been baking biscuits, making hedgehogs and spiders, painting sparkly web pictures and putting ourselves in a cosy den perfect for hibernating in!

Have a fantastic, fun and safe half term break and we'll see you back in school on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of November!



### CLASS 2

It has been a wonderful end to our term this week with our Harvest Festival and Hibernation Day.

The children did so well in the church reciting the Harvest Poem, sharing their prayers, and singing so beautifully, we are so proud of you all!

Year 2 have started looking at inverse calculations and facts that relate to each other. If we know 17+3=20 then we know 27+3=30 and so on but we can also write subtraction facts 30-3=27 and 20-3=17. Challenge your child at home to find as many number facts as possible using this equation 16+4=20.

Year 1 have been busy consolidating their knowledge of their number bonds to 5.

The children will be bringing home their

Maths Boxes today so you could challenge

your child to make 5 in different ways.

This week in English we have continued to focus on the book 'The Tunnel' by Anthony Browne. The children have create their own story plots in a plan and then write the untold story of what happened to Jack (one of the main characters in the story). We also recapped word classes to include into their writing. They have worked really hard on including adjectives and verbs to make their sentences more descriptive.

What a wonderful day we had today learning about animals that hibernate! Mrs Powell thinks it would be a good idea if we **all** curled up and slept through the cold winter months!

Thank you for all your hard work and we look forward to seeing you on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November.



STAR OF THE WEEK

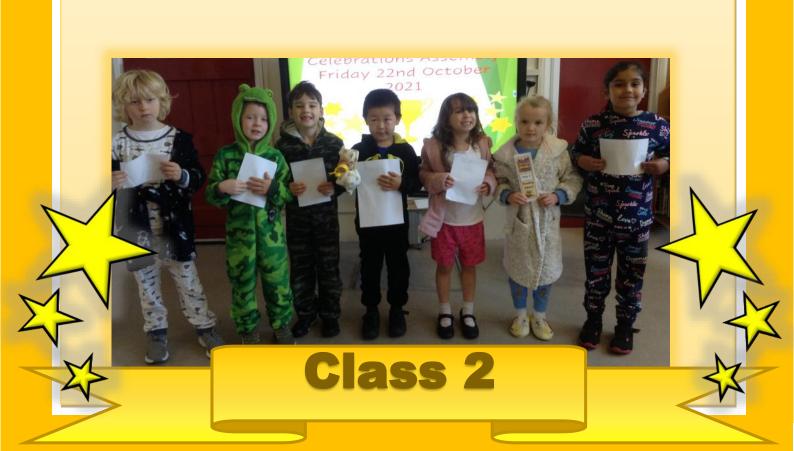
Rewarded for being a great role model, a superstar and working hard.

# Celebracing Saccess REWARDS OF THE WEEK

Well done to all the children that received an award for Marvellous Mathematician, Wonderful writer, hand writer of the week, Reader of the week or Breakfast Club Superstar. Keep up the hard work.



Class 1





#### MATHLETICS



## BRONZE

