



St Mawes Primary School Newsletter

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Class 1



We have had some amazing learning happening this term! Our topic has been based around 'Houses and Homes' and we have explored the materials used to build homes all around the world.

We looked at homes in the past and learnt about the Great Fire of London and had some wonderful Tudor houses made.

We have listened to the story of The Three Little Pigs and there have been some great interviews with the wolf (some very scary). Some children have written newspaper reports about the wolf's escapades.

Some children have been looking at pattern both on paper and in the world around us and created some lovely repeating patterns of their own.

We have also been amazed with the extra learning that is taking place too. We have seen some brilliant artwork, wonderful views of daily walks and delicious baking.



On Friday the 5th February we would like you to wear something that makes you



It can be a snuggly onesie, a glittery dress or your favourite hat.

Send us your pictures



Diary Dates

Friday 12th February – Inset Day

Monday 15th – Friday 19th – Half Term



The River!

The river dances merrily down,
from lake to crashing sea,
it twists, and turns and bumps and twirls,
it really is quite free.

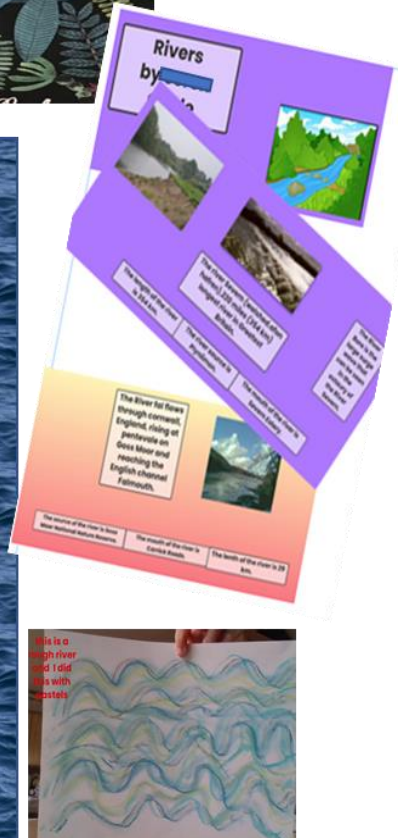
The river cries as it reaches a fall,
it jumps right down with speed,
a gushing waterfall, a fountain,
oh where does this river lead?

The river skips and slows as it bends,
wider now its flowing...
it doesn't know the route it goes,
or which direction it's going.

The river meets its salty end,
the fish arrive in shoals,
tired from his long hard journey,
he's finally reached his goal.



Class Two have been very busy with their learning at home. They have written brilliant poems about a river, created water themed artwork and solved lots of Maths problems! They have also created wonderful information presentations about rivers, both those local to them and those around the world, using internet research and their text and graphic skills. During our weekly Teams meetings, we have enjoyed seeing each other's faces and catching up with things we have been doing at home. For those children in our keyworker bubble, they have worked very hard to complete their learning too and enjoyed some time painting, using clay and building lego masterpieces.



Tips for Seesaw.



We are so impressed with how hard everyone is working on Seesaw and the activities we are seeing show a lot of creativity and patience. We have put together some top tips that we have found make things even easier:

If you click on activities, you will see sections for 'done' and 'in progress'. In progress are those saved as drafts and those that have been returned to you for improvement.

If an adult has added a comment to support your learning, you can see this by clicking on inbox and the notifications. You will see an image of the activity and the comment. Click to read it and follow advice given.

Worksheets and templates can be unlocked by clicking on the three dots on the image. Unlocking means you can zoom in on questions to answer easier. Using a stylus is also quicker if you are using a tablet. We have ordered some to school and if you would like one please let the office know.

Worksheets and templates can also be printed at home. When in the activity you will see a 'view original' button. Clicking this will allow you to print the document.

Half term activities.

We will not be setting activities on Seesaw during the inset day or over half term. Thursday the 11th of February will be a 'catch-up' day so all activities can be archived over half term. If you need activities then the children will still have access to Sumdog, Nessy, TT Rockstars and the other apps on Wonde as well as the workbooks sent home. Joe Wicks will be available as will Cosmic Kids Yoga, both on YouTube. The foyer will be open each day for changing books in preparation for half term. You can also access reading books through Oxford Owl or Borrowbox. Links can be found on the remote learning guidance for parents on our website. Most of all take the chance to relax and share family time together.