

Poplar News (15.11.19)



Dear Parents and Carers,

In English this week, we have been focused on direct speech. The children identified what punctuation is required when writing direct speech. We spent the week finding direct speech and the punctuation in different texts. To finish the week off the children wrote their own sentences with speech. Our spelling focus this week has been adverbs, we looked at how they are made from a root word followed by the suffix *-ly*. The children spotted that we do not have to change the root word to add this suffix on. The words included **kindly**, **gently** and **quickly**.

In Maths, we have looked at column subtraction. We have been using place value counters and base 10 to help us understand **exchanging**, which has been our maths word of the week. We then used bar model, number lines and counting back to check our answers. If the children wish to complete any at home and bring them in they are welcome to. For our starter for Maths and in Maths meeting this week we have been celebrating **Maths Week** and **Barvember**. The children have enjoyed challenging themselves with the daily challenges set.

On Monday, the children had their two-minute silence on the coach back from swimming. Mrs Carter and Mrs B have both highly praised the children for how wonderful they were. We then spent some time in the afternoon, looking at what is Remembrance Day and the children had many questions: including why do we wear poppies? What are wreaths?

This week in Topic the children have been researching the history of the Stone Age, looking at what they eat, what clothes and jewellery they wore and the tools they used. They will use this information to form a fact file on the Stone Age in a format of their choice.

In Spanish this week, the children played a game of battleships using the knowledge of colours and numbers to try and sink their partner's boats. It was lovely to see the children engaging with this activity.

We hope you have a lovely weekend.

Miss Scott, Mrs Batterham and all in Poplar Class.

Key Dates and reminders:

- 20th November - Bedtime Café - 6pm-7pm The children are invited in their pyjamas to listen to bed time stories read out by adults. Hot chocolate and biscuits are served.
- 22nd November- Dress as you like for Tombola Prize
- 29th November - Christmas Fayre 3.30-5.00pm
- 18th December- End of term