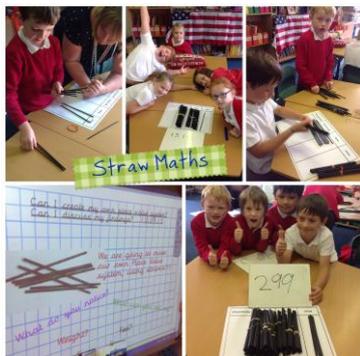


Sparrow Class News and Homework

To be handed in on Wednesday 16th September

Maths: In maths this week, we have been revising our knowledge of place value. We practised writing numbers on number lines, partitioned 3-digit numbers to understand the value and used hundred squares to help us count in 10's.



Later in the week, we explored place value by building our own place value system using straws. This helps to develop a sense of the difference between 1, 10, 100 through weight, feel, size etc. We grouped the straws into ones to make tens, then grouping 10s to make 100s then combining these numbers. Finally, we used our own place value system to create 3-digit numbers and practiced counting in 100's and 1000's!



English: In English, we have been exploring the fantastic picture book 'My Place in Space' by Robin and Sally Hirst. This book is a great hybrid of narrative and information text. We learn a lot about 'our place in space' and it helps to encourage our curiosity of the solar system and beyond. We used the FANTASTIC's to develop our vocabulary and write descriptive sentences using the beautiful illustrations in the text as a stimulus.

Topic &



Science: Our topic this term is Earth and Space and we started off the week with a very hands-on approach. We created beautiful art work using a range of techniques including chalks, paints and oil pastels. In groups, we researched the planets and made fact sheets. Then we used tissue paper and acetate to create stained glass window effect planets and discussed the different colours and textures of their surfaces.

We also had great fun cooking yummy earth cookies and making rocket control panels.



In Science, our unit of work is rocks. We will be discovering what is under our feet, comparing properties of different rocks and understanding how volcanoes are formed. In our science lesson, we became Rock Detectives and discussed what we already knew about rocks, which was a lot! Then we went on a walk to identify how materials that come from rocks, are used in and around our school.

Homework Tasks

This week's times tables to practice are:

3's

TASK: We have learnt the most common way of remembering the order of the planets in class – *My Very Easy Method Just Speeds Up Names*. Can you create your own picture showing the order of the planets and come up with your own rhyme, song or sentence to help you remember?

Pupil feedback	Parent feedback	Teacher feedback

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