



Crystal Class News

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Things to note:

Thank you to everyone who is putting a huge effort into the children's reading. Regular reading is so hugely important. We also try to encourage our children to fall in love with reading and finding the right book is essential. We want to be able to challenge children's reading and their vocabulary but we also don't want the book to be too difficult that they cannot enjoy the story/information because they are spending too much time deciphering the text. I regularly look at the books that the children read and it is lovely that children can not only read books from school but they can pick books from home too. If there is a particular book or author that your child is enjoying, please feel free to let me know and I will see if we have more available in school.

As you may know, we are having a massive push on Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS). Heading into term 6, I am trying to get the children into a routine of regularly attempting TTRS as more emphasis will be placed on them in year 4. Similarly to reading, I am asking the children to practise their tables on TTRS 5 times a week (for approximately 5 minutes each time). If you have any problems, please do not hesitate to let me know.

This week:

In Maths, we have finished our equivalent fractions and we have progressed to adding and subtracting fractions. The children have quickly 'got to grips' with this concept. We have also continued to practise how written methods for multiplication and division.

In English, we have planned our 'pebble in my pocket' story and we have started to write these. The children love writing stories and it is amazing to see the language and figurative devices they choose to use. We will continue this next week.

With our projects, we have now moved onto our cave art. The children find this fascinating and have recreated some beautiful pieces for our own cave!