



# Crystal Class News

6<sup>th</sup> October 2017

## **Welcome to Crystal Class Newsletter:**

Next Friday (13/10/17) is Crystal Class' home-learning share. Parents will be welcome to join us from 3:00pm when we shall be reviewing and reflecting upon children's home-learning in the class. Those children who have created some home-learning which they would like to share should bring their homelearning in on the Friday morning and we shall review this during the day and with parents.

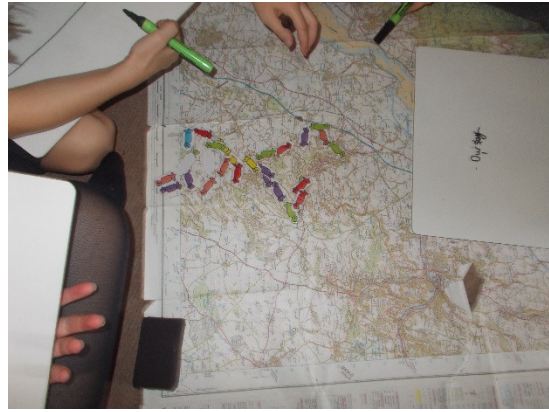
### **Learning this week:**

Maths: This week has been the week we have faced and conquered column addition. From using our WAGOLL, the children progressed from adding two-digit numbers to adding three-digit numbers with mixed carry over. This then continued on to problem solving with missing numbers and will continue to problem solve further to ensure we have a strong grasp on our method.

English: Through the week, we have been building on our knowledge of different sentences types and we have been looking at how we make a complex sentence. This has had it challenges and at times we were then confusing them with compound sentences however, we refused to give up and with some excellent perseverance we made the links between the different sentences to write some lovely descriptions of Charlie.

Project: Where does our chocolate come from?

This week, we started to investigate plants and how they grow as we want to try and understand why the cocoa bean grows in certain places in the world. This will take further investigating which we will continue next week. Along with our Science, the children have had a brilliant time studying ordinance survey maps. It was there responsibility to find where to look for berries on our berry-picking walk. The children found many different places which may be good for finding our berries around Wickwar so wish us luck!



The children also mapped out journeys, looking at the different places and features I would pass on what seems (according to the picture) a 'sweeties' journey.

I would also like to say a huge thank you to Mrs Hathaway who spent the morning with us, developing our skills as 'Quentin Blake' artists. The children loved it and it has certainly inspired them for their own art with Mrs Gee.

### **Next Week:**

English: We will be planning and starting to write our Charlie and the Chocolate Factory story. We are hoping to apply all the learning we have already learnt so far.

Maths: Once we have completed our addition problem solving, we shall look at our subtraction methods.

Project: We shall continue with our Science, investigating what environment a plant needs to grow and survive.