



# Emerald Class Newsletter

## 23.2.2018 – Term 4



### What have we been learning?

This week the children have learnt how to use the prefix –un with words and how it changes the meanings of words. They used this knowledge in their letters to Theresa May to make it illegal to have animals in the circus. It was warming to see the children so passionate about making sure the animals are not in the circus anymore, perhaps ask them all about it!

They have also recapped the countries of the UK and we looked into the capital cities. As part of our learning circus they will be performing a shadow puppet story so they have designed their puppets. Next week the children will be using their knowledge of properties and light to investigate the best materials to use for their puppets and screen.

The children celebrated belonging to a group whether it was sports, brownies, beavers, school and more on “Thinking day” with Jet Class. It was great to see the children appreciating each other and what they are a part of.



In PE the children have started to learn the sport curling, they thoroughly enjoyed it with Mrs Mac. Also Friday mornings this term the children are learning Yoga!



**REMINDER:** We are still celebrating reading five times a week. The children have received certificates this term for reading 5 times every week. The children also get 2 house points for reading 5 or more times a week.

### Mental Maths: Rules of twos, fives and tens

Twos – even numbers (shared equally), end in 0, 2, 4, 6, 8

Fives – end in 0 or 5

Tens – end in zero

**Example:** you could say a random number to your child and ask whether it is in the twos, fives or tens. Then ask why.

25 – is it in the two times table? No because it isn't even.

### Next Week

Next week the children will further explore continents and continue to investigate light, shadow and darkness. The children will also be starting to learn about capacity in measurement.

### Dates for you Diary

**World book day – 1<sup>st</sup> March – dress up in favourite book character**

**Learning Circus – families welcome - 20<sup>th</sup> March 2018 @ 2:00-3:15 – letter home**

**Parents evening – 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2018**

**Parents meeting about phonics screening after Easter – 12<sup>th</sup> April 2018 @ 9:00-9:30**