

# Emerald Class News

5<sup>th</sup> July 2019

## **Emerald Class Newsletter:**

I have reset times tables for all the children in the class on Times Tables Rock Stars. The children have told me that they are going to try their new groups/tables and let me know how they get on over the next week. If you find that your child is struggling and becoming frustrated with the times tables they have been set after the trial week, please let me know so that I may rearrange. The children will also have a chance to share their feelings on their new times tables within class.

### **This week:**

In English, the children have been finishing off their own fairy tales as well as writing a letter to you about their year in Emerald Class. These letters will be enclosed in an envelope along with their school reports.

In Maths, the children have had great fun in applying their knowledge of Maths to the number 23. This involves using all aspects of Maths. Some children chose to show 12 different analogue clock faces, all with 23 minutes past on them. Some children found different ways to add and subtract to make the total 23. Others looked at shapes to find an amount of 2D shapes whose sides added up to the total of 23. Some children chose to measure in cms to find what had the length and width of 23cm. We also looked to see if we could half and quarter 23. So far, Freya has managed to find  $11 \frac{1}{2}$  is half of 23. We even had a group of boys who chose to count in 23s. They were able to explain how to add the 20 and then add the 3 each time. Excellent Maths was applied throughout.

In our projects, the children have begun to research different fruit smoothie recipes. We are hoping to start making these smoothies and then freezing them to turn them into smoothie ice lollies for the children to sell on our 'build a house' afternoon. On Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July, we are inviting parents to join us to help their children build a house for the 3 little pigs. Children will need to think of materials needed to create a sturdy and strong house so the big bad wolf doesn't blow it over. Further details regarding our building afternoon will be sent out next week. We do hope you can join us.