

Emerald News

This week the children have returned to school with happy, smiling faces and we have had a lovely week getting to know each other.

In **Maths** we have started our learning about addition. The children have been using a range of different practical resources to find the total of two numbers and have been introduced to the signs + = to write their own number sentences. We have also began to apply our understanding of addition to record the number bonds of ten.



In **English** we have started another Winnie story – The Dinosaur Day. We have been learning to retell part of the story after making up actions and drawing story maps to help us to remember. In the story a dinosaur lands at the museum, much to the surprise of all the people! We have been thinking about what the people there may have said when they saw the dinosaur and have been applying our knowledge of capital letters, finger spaces and full stops to some short burst writing.

In **Phonics** we have been recapping the phase 3 and 5 sounds we have already learnt and have introduced the new sounds aw (eg. saw, paw) and wh (eg. which, whisker). We have enjoyed playing a 'roll and read' game practising reading words with our new sounds, using a huge dice.

In **Reading** we have shared the stories 'The Scarf' and 'Everyone Got Wet'. We have focused on thinking about the feelings of the characters using the pictures as well as the text to help us expand our ideas beyond saying they are happy or sad.

In **PSHE** we have started our new unit 'Celebrating difference' and this week have started by finding out that although we are all unique we also have similarities. The

children spent time talking with a partner to work out things that they had in common and things that were different.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Grainger