



Topaz News



This week

It has been lovely to catch up with you all this week. Can you believe that we have been here for half a term already? Saying that I think the children are ready for a rest. They have done an amazing job of settling into school.

I'm sure you have heard that 'Room on the Broom' has been our chosen book this week. We have acted the story out and started to talk about some of the words like clambered, fluttered etc. to build our understanding. The children love joining in with the repeated refrains in this one.

They have talked about their Halloween plans and we will continue with this book alongside other books about spiders and pumpkins in the week after the half term. **If they dress up for Halloween please send a picture via Evidence Me. If they don't then send another picture for them to talk about on the Monday of the first week back.** This will be part of our oracy (speaking) plan.

There have been many magnificent broomsticks created this week and I look forward to more after the break. We will use these to develop our mathematical language of length as well.



My plan for learning has been posted on the class page on the website.

Maths

In maths we have been comparing numbers. I'm yet to make a presentation for maths but much of our early maths is about developing number sense as well as recognition and the use of mathematical language. We have been trying to use the phrases 'more than', 'fewer than', 'the most', 'the least' rather than big and small which can get confused with other concepts.

Bug Club

If you are yet to log on, please do. It seems that the most successful way to view things is on a tablet so if you have tried a laptop and not had success yet, try a tablet if you have one.

Nativity news

I am keen to give you as many of the experiences of starting school as we can and the nativity play seems like one of those moments we can't let you miss out on. We will be putting on a show for you that one of our ex-pupils has offered to film. This will then be available to you to watch in your own homes.

Wishing you a restful week, *Sally Windmill*

