

Our Values

Respect, Kindness, Resilience,
Integrity, Honesty and Trust

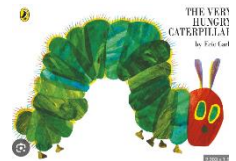


Our Pledge

- Listen and Learn
- Do our best
- Look after each other
- Look after our school

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In **Literacy** this term, we have focused on learning about Fiction and Non-Fiction writing. We looked at books that had facts and information, headings, captions and real photographs. We used this to help us write our own reports about caterpillars and butterflies. This was inspired by our core text, 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'. We also wrote our own stories using this text and focused on including adjectives and expanded noun phrases in our work. We have also worked hard to improve our story writing and remembering to use capital letters, finger spaces and full stops.



KEY MATH VOCABULARY

MULTIPLICATION & DIVISION



In **Mathematics** this term, we have been learning about multiplication, division and fractions. We were able to recognise the multiply and divide symbols in number sentences and then we even started on word problems. We had to read the question and work out what it was asking us to do. We learnt to multiply by grouping and divide by sharing. It was tricky at first but we got there in the end. We have also looked at fractions and understood the roles of the numerator and the denominator. We were able to find half of a shape and a quarter of a shape. We even made sandwiches and cut them in halves and quarters to help us with our learning. It was yummy!

In **Science** this term, we have been learning about Plants. We first identified what a plant is the different features of a plant and their functions. We looked at garden plants, wild plants, and their differences. Then we made observations of growing plants by planting some of our own and watching how they change over time. This was fun as we were able to do our own investigation. We also looked at the differences between plants and trees. We learnt the features and function of both and then compared them. We now know that roots anchor a plant and help it to absorb water and nutrients.



In **Reading**, we have been using Bug Club to help with our reading during phonics. We also read every day first thing in the morning and have Story time at the end of the day where our teachers read aloud to us. We love listening to stories. We have really been focusing on reading alien words as our Phonics Screening Test is taking place week beginning 12th June. The teachers in year 1 are sending home phonics words every day. Please help us to read at home so that we can do well in the test.



This term we celebrated the coronation of King Charles III. We had a tea party in school and dressed up in our best clothes. Thank you to the parents of Holmleigh who provided lots of yummy treats for us to enjoy!

