



Date: 17/09/21

Year Group: 5

English

This week we finished our learning from War of The World. The children have written some wonderful stories inspired by this book.

They wrote their first drafts on PurpleMash, making great use of their iPads.

For their final writes, the children wrote beautifully into their English books and decorated the pages with their alien invasions!

Keep an eye out on your Dojo messages, there may be a few being sent home to you!

Next week will be starting our new text, Apollo 13.

Maths

The children have worked exceptionally hard this week, applying their knowledge from Year 4 to add numbers in the column method.

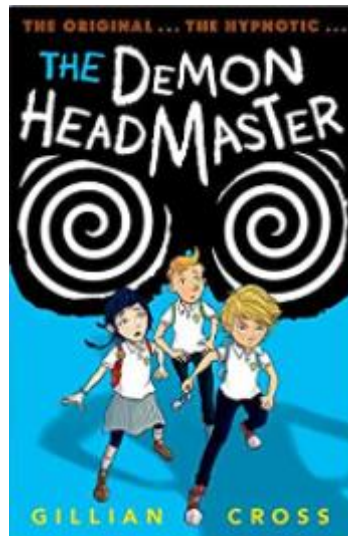
We have looked at adding numbers up to and including ten thousands.

Next week, we will be subtracting numbers.

How you can help at home:

- The badges have arrived for the Working in Harmony award. Thank you for sending in photos of your children reading and listening to them read. This week's tasks are to hear your child read, support them with online learning platforms and attend the welcome meeting. If you could not attend the Welcome Meeting, the PowerPoint was placed onto each class story by Miss Hardy. Please do read it.
- The expectation that children read to an adult at least 3x a week is still in place, please ensure you are prioritising this. We do check the children's reading diaries. We want to continue to instil a love of reading within the children. Please do take the time to listen to your child read as much as possible, they really do love it (many time we have children bustling in to say how much they loved reading to an adult the night before). We appreciate this may be difficult to achieve every day, as many times as you can will be much appreciated.
- A couple of reminders for PE. If your child wears earrings, they need to remove them on PE days. If they cannot be removed, please make sure that they are covered with tape. As the weather gets colder, your child will need their school sweatshirt, or cardigan, to wear over their PE top in class. Thank you to all parents who have managed to

Book Recommendations:



When Dinah is fostered by the Hunters she thinks her biggest problem will be fitting in with her foster-brothers, Lloyd and Harvey. However, once she starts at her new school it's clear that there's more to worry about. All the children, apart from a handful including Lloyd and Harvey, are too well-behaved - robotic almost - and oddly keen to please the creepy headmaster.

The three children set out to discover the nature of his influence over everyone . . . but then Dinah finds herself saying and doing things she has no power over. Soon they uncover the headmaster's wicked plan. Controlling the school is just a practice run. He has set his sights on dominating the entire nation! The children must foil him before he succeeds . . . but with Dinah under his spell they've got a challenge on their hands.

Great fun and just a little bit frightening, Gillian Cross's beloved classic still holds readers under its hypnotic spell, even after thirty years of being in print.

Why does Miss Hardy recommend this book?

I had not read this book before finding out it would be one of our Class Readers this year but I am so glad it is a book we will be reading together as a class.

I loved reading the story from the children's perspectives. I also really enjoyed reading about the main characters who are not

purchase and supply your child with a green t-shirt as part of the new PE uniform. If you have yet to do so, please make this a priority and have a look on Amazon, you can buy one for around £2. To confirm, the PE tops must be plain green- no images, texts or logos. The children also need to wear plain black shorts or tracksuit bottoms.

This is an example of what is expected.



'perfect' just like real children! In parts it had me laughing out loud and also gave me a possible insight into how the children view their teachers.....!!!

Non Negotiables:

'Everybody, every day' - Reading with your child every night and signing their diary.

Practise times tables including the division facts. Use Times Tables Rock Stars or any other method to practice. Your practice is paying off! Keep in contact with us using Class Dojo. Complete Working in Harmony booklet.

Have a good weekend.