

## Class 1 Weekly Update- Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2018

This week we have finished our work on Sir Charlie Stinky Socks. We have painted our shields and the children will hopefully be bringing them home tonight. We have also written a letter to the king in the story to explain why Sir Charlie Stinky Socks was late heading back home. All of the children tried really hard with their writing and most managed to write at least a page of work!

It has been assessment week and the children have done a maths assessment to check their understanding of number and place value so far. I was pleased with the assessments but they did highlight that many are still writing their numbers the wrong way around (85 instead of 58 or 06 instead of 60). Some children also wrote teens instead of multiples of 10 (15 instead of 50). Obviously we will work some more on this after the holidays.

We have also done a spelling and grammar assessment. At this stage it only asked the children to choose words with particular sounds, identify the correct word to match a picture, find rhyming pairs and put the correct word into a sentence. All of the children scored really well. The only thing it raised was that a handful of the class really struggled with rhyming.

To support the rhyming we then read *Oi Dog*. It is a book in which animals sit on items which rhyme with them (slugs sit on plugs, whales sit on nails). We played a matching game to identify lots of words that rhymed. We then chose some animals of our own and rhymed comical items which they could sit on. If your child struggles with rhyming the *Oi* books are very good to support this. There are a few books in the series.

Hopefully everyone has now brought home their P.E kit. Please can you check your child has the correct clothing because a couple of children have lost items and I am suspecting that they have probably been picked up by accident by someone else.

The children are really tired but have continued to work hard. Thank you for your support this half term and I hope you all have a lovely holiday.

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