



## Diamond Newsletter

Week beginning: 10th September 2018

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### Year 6 Buddies

This week the new year 6 children have had the new reception children as buddies at lunch time, my buddy is called Iris. Everyone that has a buddy only has them for lunch time but three year 6 pupils who didn't have buddies this week will be helping them all with their coats and shoes next week as this is part of their year 6 job.

### Year 5 Play Leader Training

This week the new year 5 pupils did play leader training to help them think about how they could organise games for other students. At lunchtime, the younger children will be able to join in with the games that the play leaders prepare for them starting next week. The play leaders will receive awards for their perseverance.

### Maths

In maths this week we have been working on Roman numerals. For instance M=1000, I=1, D=500, L=50, V=5, X=10 and IX=9. We also learnt that having a lower value letter to the left means it's that less like IX = one away from ten = 9 and if it's to the right it's more like XI = 11.

### Dance

We are doing dance this term and our topic is movement and traveling. In Tuesday's lesson we were pretending to be on a platform at a train station. One of the movements we created was tying your shoelace, another was checking your watch and a funny one was proposing to someone.

### Introducing Popcorn and Deci-mole



Our class has adopted two stuffed toys this year. One is called Popcorn and the other is Deci-mole. Popcorn is our writing teddy and Deci-mole is our maths teddy. Every Friday someone will take Deci-mole / Popcorn home and bring them back on the following Thursday ready for the next person. On that Thursday they will have the opportunity to share what they got up to with the rest of the class. When you have Deci-mole, you have to write down 1-2 pages of all the maths that you do at home during the week. With Popcorn you have to write 3 paragraphs of writing about what you did with him while you had him for the week.

### Homework:

#### English

Our new vocabulary word for the week is: naïve. Please find out what it means and use it in a sentence (this should be written in your planner). You could also discuss how you could use it in class so you achieve our challenge next week.

Please practice the spelling words in your folder.

Choose a book to read which you think could be linked to our new topic: 'Journey of a Lifetime'. Please make sure you choose a book other than the ones we will be using as class texts this term ('Shackleton's Journey' by William Grill and 'The Journey' by Francesca Sanna). You will need to write a book review for it which you may present in as creative a way as you would like. Please note you will be sharing this piece of work with the whole class so please make sure you hand in something you are proud of. Due Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October, don't leave it to the last minute.

Please help your child by discussing their homework with them before they hand it in.

#### Maths

Spend at least 1 hour on Sumdog maths this week before Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September. The children have been given their logos today.