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What a busy couple of weeks it has been in Shark Class! The children have worked incredibly hard, showing kindness and resilience as they tackle challenging lessons each day. We are nearly at the end of our English text and have now finished two chapters in Maths—what an achievement! I am so proud of how the children consistently demonstrate our school values: being respectful, responsible, and safe!

English

- We are almost nearing the end of our current English unit- Shackleton's journey. The children are writing their final piece which is a newspaper report based on the discovery of The Endurance ship, which belonged to Earnest Shackleton. Why not ask your child about Earnest Shackleton and his remarkable expedition?

Guided Reading

- In our guided reading sessions, we have been exploring 'Poems of the Green and Blue Planet' where the children have explored different styles of poem and different themes. The children are enjoying learning more about our wonderful planet and recognising how poets use personification to bring to life natural occurrences, such as hurricanes. Their imagination and creativity is shining through in these sessions. Well done, shark class!

Maths

- In Maths, we've moved on to multiplication and division, focusing on the 6, 7, 9, and 11 times tables. We're learning about the commutative law (ask your child to explain it-they're doing great!) and other strategies to strengthen their skills. The children will be using songs to help them remember these times tables, as well as completing their weekly times tables grid in class. Please encourage regular practice on TT Rockstars at home to reinforce what we're working on in class.

History

- Our history lessons are focussed on The Anglo-Saxons. Currently we are learning about Anglo-Saxon settlements and recently we have learnt about the Saxon invasion of Britain.

PSHE

- As well as celebrating anti-bullying week with a fantastic performance from Altru Drama Theatre Company, we have begun our new PSHE topic- Celebrating Difference. The topic focuses on concept of celebrating everyone's own unique qualities as well as learning about the protected characteristics and why it is so important to show a deeper knowledge and understanding for our ever-changing, diverse world.

Certificates

Star of the Week: Freddie

Rights Respector of the Week: Evelyn Campbell

Reminders and Key Dates

Homework: Keep up the fantastic work on TT Rockstars, and please encourage reading at home for Accelerated Reader quizzes.

Tuck Shop- We are now having a Tuck Shop in school every Friday afternoon. Children are allowed to purchase **one snack** for 50p and all proceeds raised will contribute to school funds which will allow us to purchase additional resources for our children.

To see all our latest learning and for school updates, please follow @WhistonWillis1 on twitter.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Williams and Miss Atkin



