



WEEKLY CLASS UPDATE



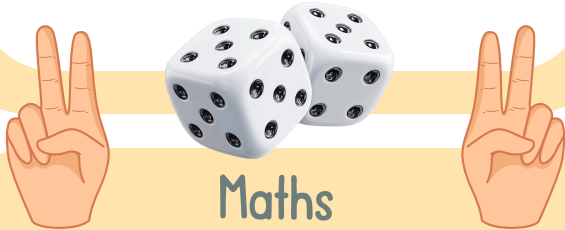
DATES:

16-20th March 2026

Phonics

This week in phonics we have been introduced to two new sounds; /ng/ and /th/. We have been sound detectives listening out for our new sounds at the end of words.

Rhyming games are an excellent way to practise hearing and saying end sounds. Our new common exception words have been 'she', 'these' and 'there'.



Maths

We've been seeing double in maths this week! We have been exploring the special case of our part, part, whole model where we have two equal parts combining to make a whole. Our fingers have been so useful in visualising our doubles by comparing fingers on each hand. Board games are a great way to explore doubles.



Other things we have learned

Our story this week has been 'Zog'. The children (and grown ups) have a particular fondness for this diligent dragon. We love his learning behaviours and have used it as an opportunity to reflect on our own school challenges. We aspire to being just as resilient as Zog and as caring as Princess Pearl. We have been writing sentences about Zog. We're growing in confidence in our writing abilities and really starting to apply all that we are learning in phonics.

This week we delved into the archives and looked at Queen Elizabeth I as part of our topic on Kings and Queens. We had some fabulous discussions about life 400 years ago. We talked about our only records of how she looked being paintings and how these may have been used to portray her a certain way. The children were shocked at the toilet 'situation' 400 years ago as well as cooking abilities being limited to open fires. 'It's like a pizza oven' said one child! Well done Foundation- I loved our history discussions this week.

Please remember to remove all earring and jewellery ahead of our PE sessions on Wednesday and Friday.

Don't forget next week we have our Parents Evenings on Tuesday and Wednesday. I am so looking forward to catching up with you and talking about your children's progress.