



Monday 25th January

Year 2 Home learning

Hello Year 2!

We hope you have had a happy weekend. It has been so lovely over the past couple of weeks to receive all of your emails and see the fabulous work that you are doing at home. Your handwriting looks like it is coming along so well! It was lovely to see some of you on zoom on Thursday. We are planning another meet up on Wednesday this week, and would love to see you there. This week we are finding out about Victorian kitchens and becoming authors of our own Mr Benn stories! There is also a video on home learning that shows you some number bond characters that we have made in our classroom, and tells the story of number 10.

Have a look below to see what we would like you to do today.

Mrs Hill and Mrs Garner

Handwriting

Today we are starting a new family of letters. Remember the 'Transformer letters'? Well I like to think of these as another family of Transformer letters, and I call them 'Robot Force', because they all start with the robot letter **r**.

Today's letters are **r** and **n**. There is a handwriting sheet on the home learning page which you can either write on or look at to show you how to form the letters.

Reading – Don't forget to read some of your reading book today, to keep those skills going. Remember that each week one of your parents may collect some new books from the music room at school on a Thursday. Please email Mrs Dunbar to arrange an arrival time.

English - This week we will be writing our own Mr Benn adventure

Mr Benn is an ordinary man who ends up having some extraordinary adventures, travelling back in time, into space, to other countries, and to imaginary lands. Hopefully last week you had the chance to plan out your own story. If not then have a quick think about this today before you start.

Today we are just going to write the beginning of the story, up to the part where Mr Benn walks through the magic door in the changing room (tomorrow we will write about where he is and who he meets). The beginning of the story has particular sentences or phrases that are repeated in every story. We are going to try to use these sentences to make our work sound just like a real Mr Benn story. Have a look at my PowerPoint screens for some ideas, and look at my example where I have tried to write my own story opening. Then you are ready to have a go yourselves!

If you are coming into school this week, bring your story with you to carry on with.

As a reward (or if you haven't watched any of the stories yet), why not watch another episode on You tube.

Maths

- Today we are learning to recognise and identify 3D shapes, identifying their properties and sorting them according to their properties including faces.

Key vocabulary to learn and understand: cube; square-based pyramid; cone; cuboid; cylinder; sphere; set; properties; edges; faces; corners/vertices; Venn diagram

Have a go at the BBC bitesize lesson about 3D shapes - there are things to watch and quizzes to do. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zvf43j6>

Afterwards, if you have time, try to sort the shapes on your work sheet. The first one shows something called a Venn diagram. If you can sort the shapes easily on this sheet, you might have a go at the trickier sorting sheet, which is something called a Carroll diagram.

This afternoon.... Victorian homes - in the kitchen

Today we are going to talk about what it would have been like in a Victorian Kitchen. You can watch a programme called *Magic Grandad*, where two children travel back in time to see how the kitchen has changed. You might notice that in the programme *Grandad* says that they have travelled back 80 years, but this is quite an old programme, so actually what you are seeing is what a kitchen would have been like about 100 years ago or more.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bpwFnNTXt2c>

In wealthy Victorian homes people would have had a cook, maid, and perhaps other servants to do all of the house work for them. The kitchen would usually have been at the bottom of the house, as you can see in the picture, with all the rooms for living in above. Not all homes were like this, and poorer Victorian families would have lived in much smaller houses, and carried out all of the work themselves.

Now have a good look at the picture of the kitchen. Perhaps you can make a list of things that are different from your kitchen nowadays.

If you want to find out some more, there is also a Powerpoint about the Victorian Kitchen.