

Blimey - what a busy January!

I've really enjoyed my first month in Hebden Bridge it has been lovely to meet children from Stubbings and Central Street and their brilliant teachers and I have learnt a few things about these wonderful schools along the way.

All of the children attending the on-site provision really have done well – when everything is a bit different, a bit changeable (and a bit soggy) they've been absolute troopers! They've really focussed well on their learning, and have been enjoying learning alongside some new faces!

The children who have been learning at home have done brilliantly too – and we know it can be so tricky when you can't be with your friends! We are all really looking forward to being together as soon as we can. I can't wait to meet you all face to face!

All the teachers and staff have been working so hard to make sure that everyone is safe, happy and learning well – whether at home or at school. I am already so proud of this amazing team. I'm sure I have driven everyone, especially Mrs Bright, a bit mad with all my questions (that's what it is like when you are new!). I think these grown-ups deserve medals (when the medal shops are allowed to re-open)

This is a good opportunity to say a huge thank you to our Stubbings and Central Street families – thank you for your unswerving positivity, patience and support. Thank you to those of you valiantly supporting children learning at home and still finding the time to offer positive feedback to the teachers.

I do hope you like our new look Newsletter – it's been lovely to see all of the good news we can share with you!

Miss Caswell

Rewards for Remote Learning

Thank you for sharing your learning with us on Class Dojo, we have seen everything from model making and baking to show and tells and the videos that you share of you reading aloud so your friends can share your favourite stories. We love your super sentences and marvellous maths too!

If you were in school you would get Golden Acorn stickers and visiting the Golden Box so while you are learning at home we would like you to challenge yourself to complete three activities per day. Then at the end of the week you will get 20 Dojo points! When you reach 50 points we will send you a reward in the post, so get busy and keep an eye out for something dropping through your letterbox!

Did you know that you can customise your 'monster' on Class Dojo?



Dates for your diary

Friday 5th March: World Book Day Monday 8th March: Science Week Wednesday 10th March: Wellbeing Wednesday

Thursday 1st April: School closes for Easter.

One of our play focus ideas has been to learn about the weather.

Look at this fantastic weather station! How clever to learn how to measure and record the rainfall!





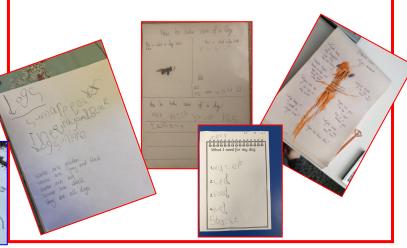
Making a shelter to protect ourselves and our toys from the

weather is a great way to learn we can keep dry!

about we warm and

In Foundation our topic is animals. We began by researching animals using non-fiction books and the internet.

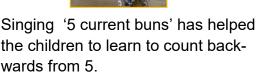
In school we learnt about dogs as we were inspired by the book 'Our Very Own Dog.' The children enjoyed finding out how to look after, train and prepare for a dog. The children used their learning to write poems and lists of what they would need if a dog came to stay. We made vets and dog shows and had a lot of fun!



Little Acorns

The children have come up with some creative ways to show their understanding of 'heavier' and 'lighter', well done!





Look at how many ways we can show what we have learnt...great sorting, counting and recording!



During Wellbeing Wednesday the colour monsters that were made helped learn that using colours can help us to talk about our feelings.







We also know that breathing exercises help us to regulate so that we are ready to learn.

To help with our wellbeing the children are learning to share their worries and post them in the Worry Monster who can hopefully take their worries away.

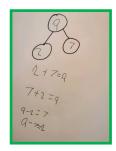


Saplings and Great Oaks



Fantastic maths! The children have been learning early multiplication skills, starting with counting in 2s, 5s and 10s before learning how to recognise and make equal groups.





Practising our maths key skills helps us to quickly recall maths facts that we have learnt.

In topic they have been learning about how many continents there are and why the ocean is so important.

They have also been finding out about animals, learning about lifecycles and how to choose a material for an animal shelter.









The children have been listening to the story 'Awongalema'. They have been learning how to map out the story to include the key event, then use the map to retell the story in sequence as well as learning how to use their senses to describe what they can see, hear, smell and touch.

