



Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2020.

Dear Parents,

### **The Arctic Explorer**

On Monday, we discussed our 'Arctic Expedition' and focussed on re telling our adventure using key vocabulary from The Arctic Explorer book. The children could still smell the camp fire and thought the boat was rather bumpy. They enjoyed looking out onto the horizon for Arctic Foxes and snowy Owls and felt devastated when they realised Mrs Sellars' had broken her leg! We sequenced photos onto a story map to re tell our adventure adding labels and sentences for each picture. Throughout the rest of the week, the children have built amazing castles and boats in the construction and sand areas of provision, designed Arctic explorer maps and collages as well as created their own Arctic themed games. It has been lovely to see the children re-enacting parts of our expedition and developing narratives of their own.



### **Maths**



In Maths, we are learning how to vote for our favourite book to read each day using 'Lego' cubes. The children have been predicting, counting and recording the number of 'Lego' cubes for each book selected and comparing using different number representations. The children have particularly enjoyed observing the 'tower of cubes' increase in size as they vote throughout the day. Next week, we will be focussing on our subtraction skills.

### **Home Learning**

Please read with your child regularly at home and sign / comment in the reading diary. This can be a combination of the reading book and Action Words and games. We aim to

change home learning books once a week.

Have a lovely relaxing weekend,

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Burrows, Mrs Sellars, Miss Belford and Mrs Rex.

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