



Wrens Newsletter - Week Beginning 08/02/2016

This week we continued work on doubling up to $5 + 5$ and halving even numbers up to 10. We used the laptops to find out about different houses and the materials they are made of. We investigated which materials are waterproof, which material float and sink and have had a brilliant time experimenting with different ways to construct houses using construction kits, natural materials and junk. In phonics we have continued to focus on /ai/ /ee/ and /igh/.

We want to thank everyone who sent materials in for the construction work, it really caught the children's imagination and enriched their learning in all areas, in particular mathematical problem solving and communication and language.

Request for resources/ help

This week if you have any artefacts relating to China and Chinese New Year, it would be lovely if we could borrow them to show to the children. If you are free on Friday, we would be most grateful if you could come in and support the children with Chinese cooking, you need to have an up to date CRB form for Cheapside School.

This Week's Home Learning Challenge:

This learning challenge can be carried out over two weeks, to include half term.

To build on the work started in school, exploring which materials are waterproof and which float and sink, we are setting the children the challenge of building a small raft/boat to hold a toy. The raft or boat needs to be watertight and float.

Please use the extended time to fully explore this project as it will give your child lots of time to investigate different materials for their buoyancy and waterproof properties, experiment with different ways of securing materials together and play around with the design of the boat/ raft. The children will be given the opportunity to talk about their work to the class and test out their finish product in the water tray. There will be a certificate and small prize for all who enter. These will be presented during the first week back after half term and the work will be put on display in the classroom.