

Just to let you know...

Homework

This week we would like you to complete the 'Number Pyramid' sheet. Please use mental methods for addition and subtraction to find your solutions for the boxes.

Remember that the homework is supposed to take you 20 minutes. If you complete all of the pyramids, you could choose a few calculations and explain how you found the answer mentally.

In SPAG next week we will be investigating verb suffixes. This is where a noun is changed to a verb using the suffixes 'ate', 'ise' or 'ify'.

For example:

Advert	—> advertise
Captive	—> captivate
Pure	—> purify

Use a dictionary to find other verbs that have the 3 suffix endings and add them to a table.

Maths

In maths this week we have been recapping methods for mental addition and subtraction, rounding and solving multi-step problems. Please remember to keep practising times tables at home.

Dear Parents,

We hope you had an enjoyable and restful half term.

Dates for this half term:

Tuesday 7th Nov: House Bake Off

Tuesday 14th Nov: Parents' Evening
6—8.30pm

Thursday 16th Nov: Parent's Evening
4.30—6.30

Friday 1st Dec: Tudor Day*

***More information coming soon!**

Best wishes,
Laura, Nick and Catherine

Topic Work

The children have been busy finding out all about the Spanish Armada. We investigated the reasons for the invasion and how events unfolded. They have been fascinated by looking at the different ships used by both sides and how the battles were fought and won.

Literacy

Elizabeth I's famous speech, from Tilbury Docks, was read to the children. They then spent time analysing the features: motivating language; repetitive phrases; rhetorical questions and appealing to the audience.

They had a wonderful time and came up with a fantastic range of literary devices which they used when they wrote their own speeches.



School Play

Our Christmas play this year will be The Lion King! Year 5 are going to be singing 'Hakuna Matata'. We'd love the children to wear sand-coloured clothes. However, if you have a Hawaiian-style flowery shirt or top, that would be fab! Flower garlands are also encouraged. We'll start practising the song soon.

