

Year 2



Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been another busy week! We have continued to explore the Antarctic through a range of books on English, geography, science and art. We have been inspired by the work of Canadian artist David McEown and you can find some information about him and examples of his beautiful work here <https://www.davidmceown.com>.

English

This week the children completed their versions of the Lost & Found adventure. There were lots of very creative ideas and the children produced some great descriptive writing. We have now moved on to our next core text - 'The Journey Home' by Fran Preston Gannon. This book will be the stimulus for some non-fiction writing including a non-chronological report and a letter.

Maths

In maths we have continued to explore and practise our multiplication skills including grouping and how multiplication is represented as an array. We have introduced a daily fluency challenge and every morning the children are asked questions about the number of the day. For example, is it odd/even, 1/10 more or less can they spell or draw it. In addition to continuing to practise 2, 5 and 10 time tables, please can you encourage your children to tell the time to o'clock and half past on an analogue clock with hands.

Foundation Subjects

In science the children used their creative skills to create food chain collages showing how the energy flows from the sun to the producer (plant) and to the consumers (animals). Our focus in geography has moved to physical and human features of places and we have started to think about these in relation to the Antarctic.

Notices & Reminders

As Year 2's lunchtime has now moved to a later time, the children no longer require snacks in school. There is a selection of fresh fruit and vegetables available every day and they are encouraged to eat some in the mornings and the afternoons. Fern Hill is a healthy school so if your child has a packed lunch, please remember no chocolate snacks or sweets, thank you.

Values Award

Bracken - Ludwik & Violet; **Clover** - Aliyah & Anton; **Heather** - Eissa & Sophie

Diamond Work Award

Bracken - Dominic & Freja; **Clover** - Ben & Lillian; **Heather** - Almila & Luca
