



# St John & St James' C of E Primary School

## Speech & Language Therapy



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*This week's speech and language therapy tip is:*

Break down instructions if your child is having trouble completing longer tasks. Instead of giving a direction such as "Get your blue book, put it in your bag, change into your outside shoes and put on your jacket" split the direction up into smaller chunks such as: "Put your blue book in your bag. Are you finished? Great, now put on your outside shoes and coat." Give your child a warning that you will give directions so you have their full attention. Encourage your child to ask for directions again when they are not sure how to complete a task, and give the direction in the exact same way to ensure that they have the opportunity to re-process the information missed.

## A Home for Midnight

We are looking for a home for Midnight the schools rabbit for over the summer holiday. He will come with a cage and all of his food and chews to keep him happy and healthy over the break.

If you would be interested in giving Midnight a home over the holidays please call the school office on **0208 985 2045** to arrange a suitable collection. He will need to be collected before 2pm on Friday 17th July.



## Let's celebrate...

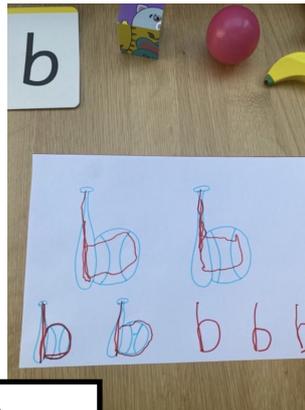
We would like to take this opportunity to share some of the amazing work that has been taking place at home over the last few weeks.



**Makar** in **Nursery** put his arts and craft skills to use this week by making creating his very own rainbow fish to go along with their class story.



**Maya** and **Ted** in **Nursery** have been working really hard with this week's sound of the week.

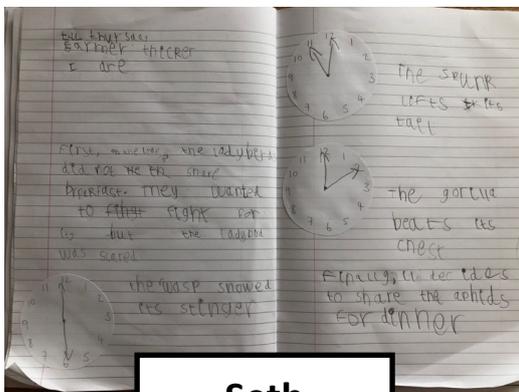


**Ted**



**Maya**

In **Reception**, **Seth** and **Jerry** have been working really hard on their sentence writing at home—well done boys!



**Seth**

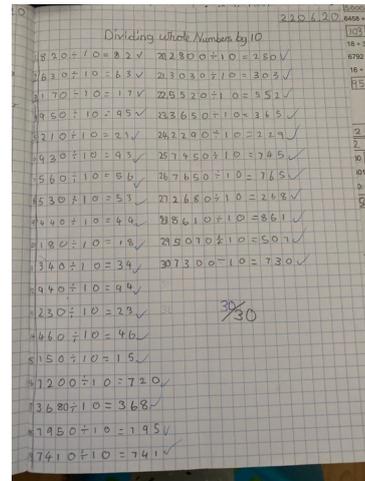


**Jerry**

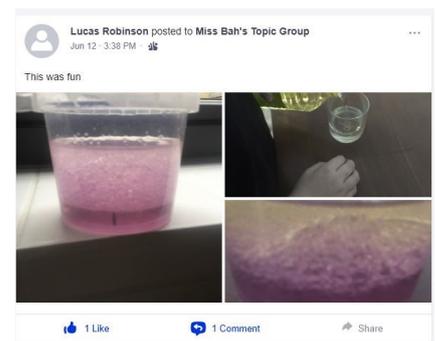
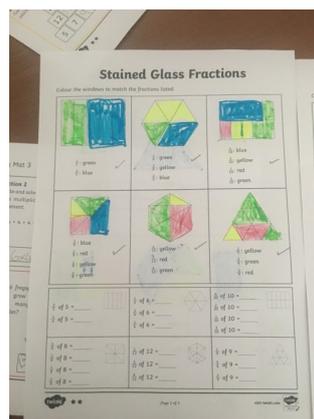
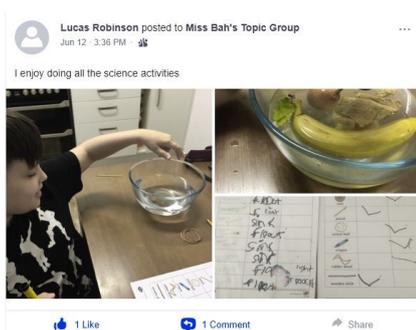
This week **Year 4** have been enjoying some online yoga sessions together; this helps the children to feel relaxed and gives them an opportunity to focus their mind on themselves. Here is a picture of **Elif** and **Umut** taking part:



**ZiQi** in **Year 4** has also done some amazing maths work this week - keep up the beautiful presentation!



**Lucas** in **Year 4** has also been very busy at home this week —he is working really hard and engaging well with all activities.



**Keep up the brilliant work at home - we look forward to seeing what you all get up to next week!**



## Hackney Virtual Library

As mentioned a few weeks ago, Hackney have launched a free virtual library service; the children can gain online access to hundreds of books, newspapers, magazines and lots of other digital sources.

The E-library service is also hosting daily activities for children of all ages:

- Monday @ 12pm - Marvellous Monday Making
- Tuesday @ 2pm - Hackney Writes
- Wednesday @ 2pm - Hackney Writes Kids
- Thursday @ 6pm - Hackney Writes Poetry
- Friday @ 12pm - Hackney Quirky Quizzes

For more information or to sign up, please visit: [hackney.gov.uk/e-library](http://hackney.gov.uk/e-library)

## Gold Awards

Name	Class	Reason
Maya	Nursery	For working hard on her phonics at home by engaging with all activities - well done!
Oscar	Reception	For being really helpful and tidying the outside area at the end of lunch play!
Gabriella	Reception	For her amazing effort in guided reading sessions!
Imogen	Reception	For consistently working hard and being a great friend - well done!
Lila	Year 1	For her fantastic retell of 'The Tiger who came to Tea', where she included questions and speech!
Dominic & Hawwaa	Year 1	For their dedication and commitment to home learning - keep it up!
Lacey	Year 2	For consistently trying her best with all home learning tasks!
Samuel	Year 2	For bringing a smile to school everyday and for producing some fantastic work on the rainforest.
Johanna	Year 3	For working hard at home and always sharing her learning online - well done!
Adil	Year 3	For bringing a smile to school everyday and for producing some fantastic work on the rainforest.
Elif	Year 4	For consistently working hard at home and for continuing to practise playing her violin.
Lucas	Year 4	For engaging well with all home learning tasks on Edmodo - keep it up!
Bella	Year 5	For her brilliant efforts with home learning and for always asking for help to ensure that she understands new concepts well.
George	Year 6	For his brilliant contributions, honesty and compassion in Values.
Laith	Year 6	For asking sensible questions in Values and remaining mature at all times—well done!



## Home Reading Support

### *This week's home reading tip is:*

Whether using the front cover, blurb or the last chapter - become a text detective and always make predictions about what might happen next.

The reading team at Hackney Learning Trust have created a Padlet of websites which is currently offering free access to texts. These have been organised into categories, so should make it easier for you to navigate your way around the website to locate appropriate texts.

Whilst reading online will never replace books, it is a great way to encourage children to expose themselves to different types of text.

For more information, please visit:

[https://padlet.com/kathleen\\_oconnor1/9k4c8eyhca91honor](https://padlet.com/kathleen_oconnor1/9k4c8eyhca91honor)

## Times Table Rock Stars

Encourage your children to log into their Times Table Rock Star accounts to partake in activities and games which will help to improve their multiplication skills.



All children can access their accounts using the follow:

- **Username:** first three letters of your child's first name, followed by the first three letters of their surname
- **Password:** current year group

For example, John Smith in Year 3 would log in using: **johsmi** as his username and **year 3** as his password.

## Oak Activity Club

Oak National Academy have teamed up with some fantastic businesses to offer free weekly sessions that your children can take part in from home. The activities range from art lessons to healthy eating discussions, and there are even some Scouts sessions that you can take part in. Everything is stored online, so you can go back and revisit at any time. For more information, please visit:

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/activity-clubs/overview>