



# Gatekeepers class

## Week beginning: 30<sup>th</sup> November 2020



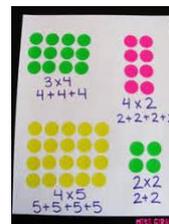
### English



We have studied a poem called 'Peeking past the curtains' and developed our vocabulary, inference, prediction and retrieval skills to improve our comprehension.

We have read the poem together and looked for the rhyming patterns, expanded noun phrases and adverbs. We have also been learning about similes and personification. We identified examples of these in the poem.

### Maths



We have learnt about arrays and how these help us to find matching multiplication and divisions.

We have checked our general arithmetic skills thinking about the steps we have learned this term to help us solve problems.

We have reviewed our times tables knowledge.

### Topic

In RE we have looked deeper into the Christmas Story and thought about what it would have been like to be a Shepherd.

In Geography we have identified the UK and its countries. We were amazed by the amount of people that live in our country.

In ICT and Science, we have been finding out about food chains and testing our knowledge by completing an online quiz.

In Art we have been thinking about people who are special to us and we have made Christmas cards.

In French we have recapped our learning this half-term and listened to the French Christmas Carol 'Vive le Vent'.

In RSE we have thought about coping strategies we can use when our bodies don't feel 'just right'.

### Important information

Please continue to read at least three times a week.

We will not be sending home any more reading books this term. If you need more reading material you can access free eBooks through the Oxford Owl website.

### Phonics/Spelling

All the children in the phonics group had their statutory Phonics Check this week. I am expecting the results next year and will let you know when I have them.

The children in the spelling group have been practising the spelling patterns learnt so far.

### Reminders

Christmas jumper day is Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December

Last day of term Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December

Outdoor learning will start every Friday from 8<sup>th</sup> January. You should have received an email with more information on this 😊