



# Gatekeepers class

## Week beginning: 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021



Welcome back!

We have been so proud this week of how quickly the children have settled back into school routines. It has been lovely to see their faces light up as they have chatted to their friends and talked to each other about their learning. We hope you all have a lovely and relaxing weekend.

### English

This week we have been looking at a picture of the day and discussing what we can see, what we think and what we wonder from the picture. We have reminded ourselves about the different ways to punctuate sentences and been punctuation detectives. We have recapped about when to use capital letters. We have also recapped our understanding of nouns, verbs and adverbs.

We have read the bible story of the Lost Sheep and rehearsed sentences to write the story in our own words.

### Maths

We have been using our knowledge of times tables facts to solve written word calculations and number puzzles.

Our new theme this week was learning about fractions. We have focused our learning this week on making equal and unequal parts. We have used this information to help us recognise and find half of an object, quantity or number.

Our steps: what is the whole? What are the parts? Are the parts equal? How do we know?

### French

As linguists we have started learning words for different types of food and drink.

### RSE

We have been practising our calming techniques and participating in Cosmic Kids Yoga sessions.

We have also reminded ourselves of the benefits of using a growth mindset.

### Spelling

We have used dictionaries/word banks to check our spellings. We focused on common exception words this week. We also looked at spelling words with the sound 'o' spelt as 'a' after w and qu, e.g. want, squash.

### Topic – Mothering Sunday

We have found out more about Mother's Day and how the Christian festival of Mothering Sunday began in the UK.

We have discovered that Mother's Day is celebrated in different countries across the world. We used a map to locate the countries and drew comparisons between the ways we celebrate.

As artists we have made Mother's Day gifts and cards.

**You have brains in  
your head.**

**You have feet  
in your shoes.**

**You can steer  
yourself any direction  
you choose.**

Dr. Seuss

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### Reminders

Tuesday will still be our PE day. Please make sure your child comes into school dressed in their PE kit.

Friday will be outdoor learning. Please make sure your child comes into school dressed in their outdoor learning kit.

Friday will still be book changing day.

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> is Red Nose Day. To celebrate please can children come in non-uniform and bring in a donation (suggested £1).