

Weekly Learning Letter

Date: Week ending 13th February 2026

This week in Year 2:

What a lovely week we have had!

Last Friday, Elis' class had their assembly all about Ponko and this Friday, Rebecca's class had their class assembly all about Ernest Shackleton. The children loved creating and performing in these and we are sure you all enjoyed it too!

Rebecca's, Will's and Elis' classes visited the Cutty Sark, where they got to look around the ship and see how explorers travelled in the past. As well as this, the children visited The Maritime Museum where they visited the Polar expedition and saw lots of the things they have been learning about in class. We also got to explore the hands-on exhibition at the museum which was great fun!

This week, we have also been celebrating Children's Mental Health Week and have been focusing on the theme 'This is my Place'. The children have been getting involved by drawing a building where they feel a sense of belonging such as a café, library, school, church, or their home and we have been having discussions about places that feel particularly welcoming and special for them. As well as this, each class made a handprint display celebrating the fact that everyone is welcome.

English:

In English, we continued working on our story Tom Crean's Rabbit. We had a letter arrive in the classroom from Albert, Tom's brother and planned what we could write back to him. We reminded ourselves about the features of an informal letter and then finished planning and writing our letter.

Ask your child if they can remember any of the features of an informal letter.

Phonics / Spellings:

This week, we will be focussing on these words, which we have been practicing in class.

- warmly
- happily
- noisily
- nicely

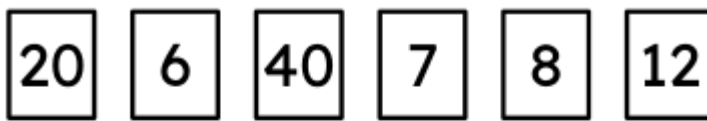
Practise using the spellings in sentences.

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Maths / Number:

This week in maths, we have been focussing on doubling and halving and how these are related. As well as this, we have been learning about halving even numbers and multiples of ten. Finally, we looked at identifying missing factors in a number sentence when one factor is 2.

1) Use the digit cards to complete the statements.



a) **Half** of 14 is equal to b) **Half** of is equal to 4

c) **Half** of is equal to d) **Half** of is equal to

2) Record these problems as a bar model and equation to solve it.

a) There are 22 shoes in a shoe cupboard.

How many pairs of shoes are there altogether?

Reading:

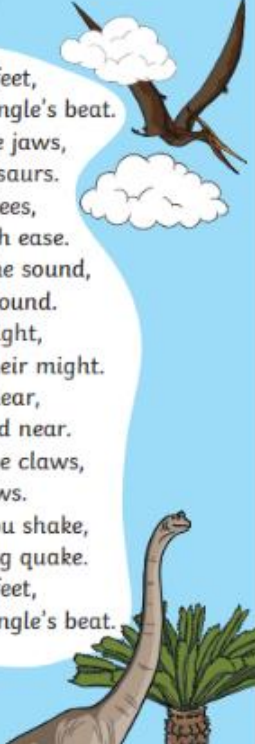
Remember to read every night (someone can read to you, you can read, or you can take it in turns). Can you read the text below and have a go at answering the questions?





Roar

5 Stomp! Stomp! Went the feet,
 12 Of the dinosaurs to the jungle's beat.
 17 Crunch! Crunch! Went the jaws,
 22 Of the many hungry dinosaurs.
 26 Snap! Crack! Munching trees,
 31 Breaking off branches with ease.
 36 Screech! Screech! Came the sound,
 41 Of dinosaurs above the ground.
 46 Bang! Bang! A dinosaur fight,
 52 Breaking rocks with all their might.
 57 Crash! Boom! You could hear,
 62 Volcanoes bursting far and near.
 67 Scratch! Scratch! Went the claws,
 72 Of tiny baby dinosaur paws.
 78 Roar! Roar! They make you shake,
 84 Just like a loud frightening quake.
 89 Stomp! Stomp! Went the feet,
 96 Of the dinosaurs to the jungle's beat.



Questions



1. What were the dinosaurs breaking in a fight?



2. Find and copy one word used in the text to describe the dinosaurs.



3. Why do you think that the poem is called **Roar**?



4. What other sounds might the dinosaurs have made?

Home learning ideas:

Ask your children about what they saw on their class trip to the Maritime Museum/ Cutty Sark. What was their favourite artefact?

Plant a seed of your choice and observe how it grows over half term. Can you keep a seed diary and write/draw your observations?

My Seed Journal



Date:
Size:

Resources request:

If anyone has any 200-piece puzzles that they no longer use/ need, please send them in to the office or give them to your Year 2 teacher.

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Forthcoming events / trips:

Friday 13th March – Rebecca's class assembly

Wednesday 25th March – Elis' class trip to Dulwich College to see the James Caird boat

Thursday 26th March – Rebecca's and Will's class trip to Dulwich College to see the James Caird boat

Thursday 14th May – Elis' class trip to The Horniman Museum

Friday 15th May – Rebecca and Will's class trip to The Horniman Museum

School website: School website

Please do [visit our website](#), you can find details of forthcoming events on the [calendar](#) (& you can subscribe to your child/ren's year group so it will auto update your calendar), as well as photos of learning activities including educational visits in the [photo gallery](#), read all about recent events and sporting achievements in the [school news](#) section and much, much more!

Happy learning!

Rebecca, Will and Elis