

## Weekly Learning Letter

1<sup>st</sup> May 2026

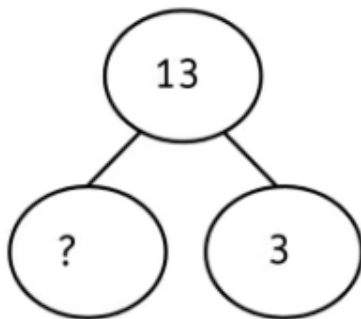
Our learning this week:

### Maths

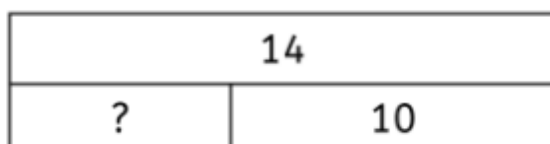
We used what we know about teen numbers to solve addition and subtraction problems. i.e. *17 is one ten and 7 ones, so the missing part must be 10.* We solved subtraction problems using part whole models, bar models and practical objects to represent the whole and the parts.

**At home:** Make up a subtraction problem for someone at home to solve. This is an example:

Jacob and Laura collected 13 sticks at the park. Laura has 3 sticks. Jacob dropped his sticks. How many did he drop? What is the missing part? Write a subtraction equation to go with the story.



Which of these equations can be represented by this bar model. Tick 1 correct answer and explain why it can't be the other two.



$10 + 14 = \underline{\quad}$

$14 - 10 = \underline{\quad}$

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### English

We continued our poetry journey and read 'What a Shame you Lost your Tail' by John Agard. This inspired us to write our own animal riddles using our descriptive writing skills. We had fun reading them out to each other and guessing the animal.

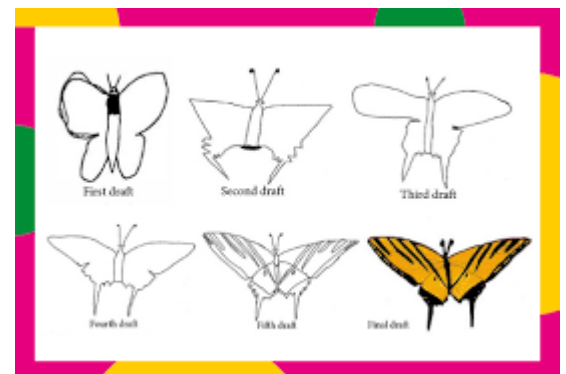
#### **At home:**

Write an animal riddle for someone at home, using the features of an animal you know. As a challenge, try to add some rhyming words to your riddle.

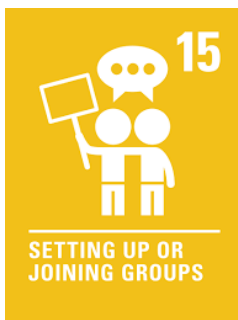
I am called king of the jungle  
It is where I reign  
It is difficult to tame me  
and I have a large mane.  
Who am I?

### Art

We made observational drawings of birds using 'Austin's Butterfly'. 'Austin's Butterfly' is a story and educational video of a boy who improved his drawing of a butterfly using feedback from his peers. We focussed on giving each other kind feedback about the shape of the bird we had drawn and by our third drawing, we saw a big improvement.



### PSHE



We discussed why friends are important, what a healthy friendship looks like and had time to reflect on our own friendships. We discussed problems that might arise in friendships and how these could be resolved.

We linked our learning to CRC Article 15 which states that children have the right to meet with friends and join groups.

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### Phonics your child has been learning this week:

	Sounds	Tricky Words
Jayne's Group	ear (learn) wr (wrong) sc (science) st (listen) schwa (actor)	many any friend through two your
Kate's Group	ve c ph g y ea wh ow oe ou le al	ask Mr Mrs Ms school call different
Rhiannon's Group	oa ar or ur ear th sh ch qu	my by like some come love do
Sarah's Group	recapping a-e i-e o-e u-e e-e ew (chew) ie (shriek) aw (jaw)	house mouse water want

Practise at home using these games: [PhonicsPlay - Phase 4 Resources](#) (Picnic on Pluto, Dragon's Den, Buried Treasure)

### Dates for your diary

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May: 5:45pm – 6:30pm** - Parents Phonics and Phonics screening workshop (please come to the main office)

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May** – Ladybirds and Treefrogs Educational Visit to the Horniman

**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May:** Early Years Garden Party (see below)

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May:** Sports Day

### Early Years Garden Party – Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May 11:30am – 2:30pm

We are kindly asking Nursery, Dolphin Hub, Reception & Year 1 classes to bring in **items for our Rainbow Hampers**, which will be raffled to raise money for school resources at the Early Phase Garden Party on **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May from 11:30 – 14:30**, with a **quiet opening time from 11:00** for our families of children with special educational needs.

Each class has their own colour.

Please hand your contributions to your class teacher **between Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April and Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May.**

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Items could include non-perishable food, toiletries, candles, bottles, gifts, toys, books, chocolates  
- you can be creative! Please remember that the items can be second hand if they are in good condition.

Rainbow – Nursery
Orange – Dolphin Hub
Red – Tigers
Blue – Lions
Yellow – Bears
Purple – Butterflies
Pink – Ladybirds
Green - Treefrogs

Thank you for all your support!  
The Early Phase, Dolphin Hub and Friends of Kilmorie

**Wishing everyone a relaxing bank holiday weekend!**

**The Year One Team**