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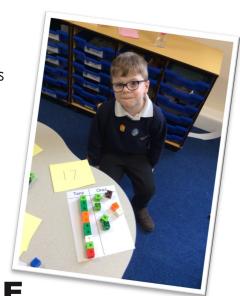
Dear parents,

The children have had a really exciting fortnight in Bournville Primary Provision with lots of new learning and projects starting across the school.

#### Maths

We are very excited to be working with Shane Walsh, a maths consultant from Birmingham City University, who has been working with us to further develop the teaching and learning of maths across the school.

Miss Queen, Miss Buttery and Miss Hunt have worked alongside Shane to improve the problem solving skills of the children and develop ways for them to apply the number skills they have learnt in class. The children have responded brilliantly to the challenges set it was fantastic to see the year one children using mathematical language confidently to



prove their theory about a maths problem last week. The children's level of engagement was outstanding and they were keen to share their ideas and explain their reasoning to peers and staff alike. We look forward to continuing our partnership with Shane throughout the term.

# Reception

EYFS staff hosted a parental workshop, with a focus on maths, which was well attended during which Miss Kelly and Ms Smyth shared a variety of interesting and fun ways to support maths

learning at home with their children. Both parents and children enjoyed the workshop immensely and parents left the workshop with lots of ideas that they were keen to try at home.



# Playground developments

The children in year 4 were trained as play-leaders last week. They will now be leading games and activities at lunchtimes with the other pupils to ensure that all the children are active in school and are moving for at least 30 minutes per day. Games include traditional playground games such as skipping and some new and exciting games such as Dragon's treasure and Multi-skills. The children very much enjoyed the training and learning the games and are keen to share their new skills and knowledge with the younger children.

# **Bookworms Club**

The bookworms enjoyed a fabulous session on Tuesday learning about Chinese New Year which will take place on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February this year. They found out that the

children in the primary are all either rats, oxen, tigers, rabbits, dragons or snakes!
The children made Chinese lanterns and decorated a tree that is being guarded by a spectacular Chinese dragon.



# **Swimming**

We are really excited to announce that the children in year 4 will begin swimming at the University of Birmingham Swimming Pool next half term. The lessons will begin at 9.30 and last for 45 minutes and the children will travel to the pool by coach. This is a fantastic opportunity for the children to learn to swim in an outstanding facility and I look forward to updating you later in the Spring term with our swimming success stories.

## Canteen developments

The school dining hall is being renovated in the February half term holiday. There will be an all new layout, new furniture and menu changes. Staff and pupils are really looking forward to using the new facilities and trying the new menus. We still do not have a name for our new canteen and are asking the primary children to think of a name and design a logo for it as homework this weekend. The children will vote for their favourite three entries in each class and our school council will select three of these to be considered as the new name for the canteen.

## **Safer Internet Day**

Tuesday was Safer Internet Day in school. This year's theme is 'Create, Connect and Share Respect'. The key messages form the learning in school this week were; share your talents, spend time with you family and friends, know that everyone is different and always be kind. The children were really excited to talk about the apps and websites they use at home and had a good understanding of how to be respectful when connecting with friends and family online and what to do if they see



something that makes them feel upset. Further information about what the children were learning can be found at the website below.

https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/2018

# **Parking**

A polite reminder that parents must not use the staff car park to park to drop off and collect their child. Police have advised that parents must not obstruct Hay Green Lane. For the safety of our children, please ensure you park elsewhere and be considerate of local residents.

# **Upcoming dates**

Thursday 1st March World Book Day Monday 5<sup>th</sup> March
Primary Parent English drop in 10.00am
Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March
Primary Parent English drop in 10.00am
Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March
EYFS coffee morning