Hello Everyone,

I hope you all had a wonderful Easter break and are feeling relaxed and refreshed!



In Literacy this week we looked at the phonic sound ai and revised the sounds l j v with children that need to practice their first sounds a bit more. The sound ai is for aim and the action is aiming and shooting an imaginary arrow at a target. We read our new class book, Jack and the Beanstalk, and by following a mind-map, we learned the story with actions. In our Free Writing Friday session, we wrote about one of the characters from the story, describing them and what they did in the story. I am keen for the children to try to create their own sentences and to have a go at spelling new words by sounding them out. I am not worried about accuracy, even getting the starting and ending sounds of new words is a big step towards spelling in the future.

In our maths we looked at bonds to 5 and 10. We used Numicon and multi-link cubes to make pairs of numbers to equal 5 or 10 and then moved on to using our fingers. If I have 1 finger down what is the partner to make 5? How many fingers are still up? So 4 and 1 make 5 etc. This was a great 1<sup>st</sup> session and is the type of learning that will need re-enforcing many times to really grasp, both at home as well as in school.





In P.E. we began practicing for our Sport's Day. We had a go at running in straight lines for the sprint and testing ourselves by running all around the top field ready for the long distance race.

In science, we looked at different parts of a plant and what they are called. We then had to put back together a flower that was split into 4 parts that had been mixed up.

Finally, we were all very sad to say farewell to Rhian, who due to a house move, will be starting in a new school after the Bank holiday. I am sure I speak for us all, staff and pupils, when I say she has been a ray of sunshine and we will miss her and not forget her. Good luck to the Phillips' Family!



Happy Bank Holiday everyone,

Miss Thomas, Mrs Bowen & Mrs Davies.

P.S. Can I ask for the sun hat, sun tan lotion and water bottle routine continue up until the end of term please, as it gets very hot in school and the children are outdoors a large portion of the day.