



Hedgehogs Learning Update

Week Ending 10.05.2024



This week, the children started their swimming sessions. We are really proud about how brave they all were and they seem to have really been enjoying swimming with their friends. In our history lesson, we learnt about Boudicca and her revolt against the Romans. In DT we started designing our torch and in our writing we started our information board about plastic pollution.

Miss Haycox & Miss Badger

Maths

This week, the children applied their knowledge of decimals to money. They have been writing money in decimal form (e.g. £3.75) and have done really well with this, especially with the swimming rotation too. For homework, I've set them a worksheet to practise this skill, as well as some slightly trickier reasoning questions which they didn't have the opportunity to do in class.



There's also money games for them to play at home to practise making amounts, adding and subtracting and estimating money (which we will get onto next week).

Reading

Due to swimming, we won't be able to fit in our whole class reading sessions. For homework, I will set a reading comprehension sheet for children to read and have a go at answering.

If children are struggling, you can read it with them or read the questions, it doesn't need to be independent. During our whole class reading lessons, we would be working in small groups or pairs anyway.

I'm conscious that even though they are able to complete their maths and writing, it's good for them to keep practising their comprehension skills.

Reading books will be changed on Mondays still and Miss Badger will continue to try and hear as many of the children read as possible.

Gaming World Records

- Many people, both children and adults, find games to be a fun way to wind down and catch up with friends. Whether it's getting competition on a multiplayer sports game, going exploring with an adventure game, or getting creative with a world-builder game, there's plenty for everyone to enjoy. Some people seem to doze for the story and get to the work to beat their own high scores and personal records, but did you know that there are real-life world records for gaming too? Here are some of the most impressive real-life high scores.
- The world's largest video game collection includes 20,139 games!**
Antonio Romero Montano of Richmond, USA, started collecting games when he was aged 12 and never stopped! In fact, he has so many games, it took him 8 days just to count them all. Within his collection, he even has the complete catalogue of two game consoles available in North America.
- The longest gaming marathon of all time is 138 hours and 26 seconds!**
Don't try this at home! In 2011, Carrie Seidick beat the previous record by playing a dancing game non-stop from July 1st to July 17th, raising over \$100,000 for charity.
- The most buttons pressed in 10 seconds is 78!**
In 2011, Alex Cunningham made a video of himself pressing a single button on his controller 78 times in 10 seconds. I wouldn't want to face him on a fighting game!
- The longest e-sports winning streak is 104 games!**
Did you know that you can be a professional gamer? Vision Strikers, a Korean video gaming team who play competitively, managed to record zero losses between June 2020 and April 2021 within e-sports tournaments. That was made up of a very impressive 102 wins and 4 draws!
- The youngest professional gamer signed a contract aged 7!**
Back in 2005, Victor de Leon III signed his first professional gaming contract with Major League Gaming. He was only 7 years old and played under the screen name Lil Poison. He even had a movie made about him!
- The largest games controller includes a 9 foot tall joystick!**
Professor Mary Flanagan created this giant controller, which is almost 34 times the size of the original retro controller it was modelled after. It's so huge, it needs at least two people to operate it, but it works and you can play lots of fun arcade games.

Spelling

Here are our spellings for the next two weeks:
 Year 3 and 4 common mistakes from the assessment week:
 caught, creature, difficult, hopeful, invention
 jealous, nearby, obvious, scent, spicy

You might see some of the spellings repeat next half-term as we have had less time to practise them in school due to swimming.



Keep practising on TT Rockstars and the Multiplication Check!



Upcoming dates

Tuesday 7th May – Friday 24th May – Swimming sessions
 Friday 24th May – Term ends
 Monday 3rd June – Term starts
 Wednesday 26th June – ThinkTank trip

Weekly reminders

Mondays – Reading books and library books changed (as needed).
 Fridays – come dressed in PE kit (only for the next 3 weeks)

