

Hedgehogs Learning Update

Week Ending 29.09.2023

We have had another week of working hard in Hedgehogs class! We've enjoyed the chance to get stuck into some more writing tasks, and were over the moon that Mr Taylor talked about Katherine Johnson in his Innovation assembly. This week, we also took part in a science investigation, testing which toothbrushes were the most effective (hard, medium or soft bristles). We might have some budding dentists in Hedgehogs class!

Thanks, Miss Haycox & Miss Badger

Writing

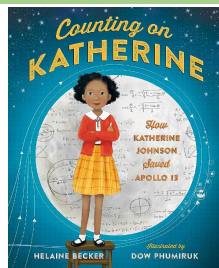
Our text this term is *Counting on Katherine*, a non-fiction text about Katherine Johnson.

Suggested Writing Activity:

This week, we learned about fronted adverbials and have practised using them to add extra details.

We had a go at writing a diary entry as Katherine's dad and how he felt about moving them to a different town so that Katherine could go to high school.

Can you have a go at writing a diary as Katherine? How did she feel about moving?



Reading

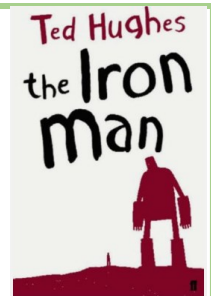
Our whole class reading text for the next few weeks is *The Iron Man*.

Suggested Reading Activity:

In the last part we read, the Iron Man managed to put himself together, but his ear was still missing!

Where do you think the ear is? Will the Iron Man find it?

How do you think he will cope without his ear? Do you think he can hear what is happening in the place his ear is in?



Maths

This week we have had a go at rounding to the nearest 1000, the nearest 100 and the nearest 10.

We've found it very tricky, but we're starting to get the hang of it!

There's a game called Rocket Rounding where children can practise rounding to the nearest 100 and nearest 10.

I can't find one to the nearest 1000, but do let me know if you find one!

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/rocket-rounding>



Reading Records

Children should be reading regularly at home, and in Year 4, we want them to develop more independence.

We have talked about the new reading diaries, and how they look slightly different. Children have been encouraged to start to complete these themselves. However, they might want a bit of help for the first few weeks, so please do have a look. In the front cover there are useful questions for children to think about as prompts too.



Spelling

Today, we had a go at our first test for the below words. Next week (6th October), will be our second go to see if we can beat our first score:

(words ending -sure) measure, treasure, leisure, enclosure, pleasure

(Year 3 / 4 words) earth, eight, famous, favourite, history

Upcoming dates

Wednesday 11th October – STEMbotics workshop

Friday 20th October – School photo day

Friday 27th October – PTA Halloween Disco

Friday 27th October – Break up

Monday 6th November – INSET day

Thursday 9th November – Remembrance Assembly (adults welcome)

Weekly reminders

Mondays – Reading books and library books.

Thursdays – PE afternoon (come to school in PE kit)