



## THORNHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

### Lion Class Learning Diary

**Week beginning: 7th January 2019**

#### **Literacy**

This week we will be working on grammar rules. Children will find out about verbs (doing/action words) and the suffixes (groups of letters added to the end of a word to change the word) –ing and –ed.

When learning about –ing, children will be learning how words change to say that someone is doing it right now, for example 'read' becomes 'reading', 'eat' becomes 'eating'.

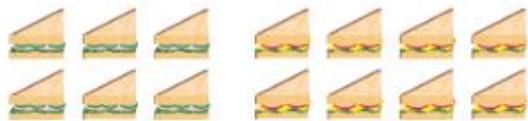
When learning about –ed, children will see how the verb becomes something that has happened in the past, for example 'wish' becomes 'wished', 'ask' becomes 'asked' and 'start' becomes 'started'.

#### **Maths**

We will be working on learning how to add within 20 using a variety of methods. Children will secure their ability in using a number line and will learn two new strategies. We will work on making a 10 from the amount. For the problem  $6+8$  children will take a 2 from the 6 and give it to the 8 to make ten and then add on the 4 to make the total of 14. We will also work on problems where we have a teen number add a 1-digit number. For the problem  $12+5$ , children will calculate  $2+5$  and then add the 10 back on to find the total 17.

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How many sandwiches are there?



How many candles are there altogether?

#### **Topic**

Children will be introduced to our new topic 'Famous for More than 5 Minutes'. We will look at which famous people the children are aware of and discuss what it is that makes them famous and in what field they are famous for. In History, children will be shown a picture of Florence Nightingale and will be prompted to make predictions about who she is and why she is famous. Children will be writing questions they would want to ask her if they could (for example, when were you born? What was your job? Are you still alive? Where were you born? etc.)

#### **P.E**

On a Monday, children will have PE with Rising Stars sports coach and will be developing their skills in Games. On a Friday, we will be working on Gymnastics and we will continue to work on exploring ways of travelling.

#### **Information**

Our PE days are on a Monday and Friday. Please ensure children do not wear earrings on these days or have tape in their kit to cover them with.

#### **Homework**

Please continue to read regularly at home with your child. A minimum of 3 times a week will support them in their learning. Children will be able to choose a reward from the box if they have read 3 or more times in a week! New spellings will now be given out on a Monday. Children will be checked on these words on Friday. Homework this week will be related to our maths. There will be clear examples to show the strategy to be used.

**Thank you, Miss E Nolan. Miss Connolly and Miss Ewelina**