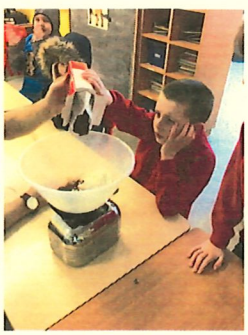
Badgers Class Weekly Blog

Week Commencing: 6th January 2020

A big welcome back to the start of our new term! You can now find Badgers class curriculum booklet for this term within Upper School on the school's website.

Day	What we have done today
Monday	Today started as our Monday's usually do and everyone seemed very excited to be back in school. We have heard lots of lovely things about the Christmas break. Everyone was fantastic in our swimming session followed by phonics and the importance of cleaning our teeth and looking after them.
Tuesday	WOW! We have had a fantastic day today exploring our new topic theme, 'Get out of my Swamp!' Some of us dressed up as fairy tale characters and we all enjoyed baking and decorating our own 'mud pie swamps' (all eaten in school of course) and we also went on a fairy tale character hunt. Our topic will now focus around fairy tales and traditional tales, maybe some with a twist.
Wednesday	Our focus in maths for the next 2 weeks is division, where some of us are sharing between different amounts using concrete objects and pictorially. We had an introduction to division today using concrete objects. Some of us recapped what we already know about division. In English, we are focusing on handwriting and forming our letters correctly, on the line and using our descenders and ascenders correctly. After phonics we explored the sights and sounds of a swamp - who might live there, what can we see and what can we hear? We then produced our own swamp colleges.
Thursday	Our day started with handwriting, where we focused on writing our own names but using the correct formations and next steps of sitting our letters on the line. Some of us explored mark making and following pre-written letters. After break, we enjoyed reading for pleasure and one to one reading. During the afternoon, the whole of Upper School enjoyed some mindfulness yoga. Everybody felt calm and relaxed and worked very hard.
Friday	This morning we started with maths where some of us continued to use concrete objects to share while some of us moved onto pictorial representation for sharing in division. What happens if we cannot share into equal groups? After break, some of us engaged with our spelling challenge (see spelling booklets in home folders) and some of us focused on phonics. The afternoon saw us read for pleasure before enjoying some golden time for a fantastic first week back in school.