



## Year Two Weekly Newsletter

Week Ending: Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have really enjoyed taking part in anti-bullying week and the children had thought about the importance of reaching out, finding help and being proud to be different. Non-school uniform day was a success too.

Next week we are excited to go to the cinema to watch the Croods 2. This will be on **Thursday the 24<sup>th</sup> of November**. We also look forward to seeing you on **Thursday evening, the 24<sup>th</sup> of November, from 6 pm**, for our maths information evening. Most children have taken home a script of the nativity performance. If your child has a talking part, please help her/him to learn the lines. Thank you for your support with this. We have highlighted the lines in purple for your information. The narrators have lots of lines but they will read them during the performance so they don't need to know them off by heart. Please ask your child to practise reading these lines so they are fluent.

Literacy	Numeracy	Topic
Learning facts about India.	Multiplication as repeated addition and we will be solving multiplication word problems.	In PSHE we will be talking about our emotions. In Geography we will be comparing weather in Ely and weather in New Delhi. In Science we will learn about animals including humans, life cycles and animal offspring. In Art we will be making a Diva lamp using clay and paint to decorate it. In PE we will learn basic tennis skills.

### Homework

Please complete homework in the homework book and make sure your child hands it in no later than Wednesday each week. Marked books will be returned to them on Friday each week.

<p><b>Reading</b></p> <p>Please read with your child regularly and fill in the reading chart.</p>	<p><b>CLIC Learn-its</b></p> <p>Our learn-its are:</p> <p>5X10=50</p> <p>6X10=60</p> <p>7X10=70</p> <p>8X10=80</p>
<p><b>Spelling</b></p> <p>Children will have their next spelling test on Friday (28<sup>th</sup> of November).</p> <p>These are the words they will be tested on: <b>bought, favourite, laughed, come, house</b></p>	<p><b>Literacy activity:</b></p> <p>Reading comprehension, see separate sheet.</p> <p>Please don't feel that you have to print the sheets off, the answers can be recorded in the homework book and children can read the text from a computer or tablet, etc.</p>

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## Bella Goes To Sea

Bella the goose lived with William in a cottage by the sea. William was a fisherman. He had a big garden with lots of good grass for Bella to eat. Sometimes for a treat he took Bella to the Harbour Cafe and bought her a milkshake and biscuits. But whenever William went to sea, Bella had to stay behind. "You can guard the house," he said.



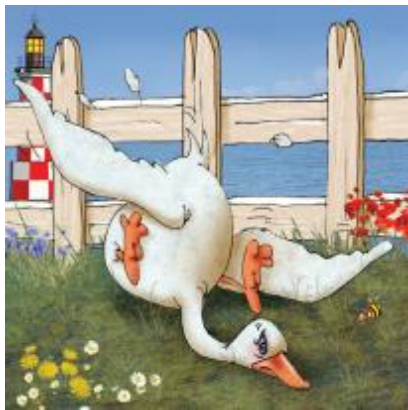
### Practice questions

(a) What was William's job?

Tick **one**.

cafe owner	<input type="checkbox"/>	guard	<input type="checkbox"/>
gardener	<input type="checkbox"/>	fisherman	<input type="checkbox"/>

(b) When William went away, what did he tell Bella to do?



Bella was lonely when William was away. She wished her wings were stronger so that she could fly after him. I will fly, thought Bella. She tried and tried... and at last she was flying perfectly.

One morning she followed William down to the harbour and out to sea. William was cross. "A fishing boat is no place for a goose," he said. But he let her stay. Bella loved life at sea.



1 When Bella was learning to fly, she...

Tick **one**.

was lazy.	<input type="checkbox"/>	did not try hard.	<input type="checkbox"/>
did not give up.	<input type="checkbox"/>	found it easy.	<input type="checkbox"/>

2 Why was William cross with Bella?

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In the afternoon the sky grew dark and a wild wind began to blow. It was too rough for fishing and then the engine broke down. The little boat was blown onto some rocks with a great crunch. "We're shipwrecked," said William. "Somebody will come." But nobody came. Nobody knew they were there.



- 3 Why did the boat hit the rocks?

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- 4 The boat hit the rocks with *a great crunch*.

This means that it made...

Tick **one**.

a huge squeak.

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a big splash.

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a long creak.

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a loud crash.

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Next morning William wrote a message and tied it to Bella's leg. "Fly away home!" he said. I can do it, thought Bella. She flew straight to the Harbour Cafe. The other fishermen set out to rescue William and his boat. "Brave Bella!" said William. "When I get a new boat you can come with me whenever I go to sea." Bella was happy.



- 5 Where did Bella take William's message?

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- 6 At the end of the story, Bella was happy. Why?

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- 7 Number the sentences below from 1 to 4 to show the order they happened in the story.

The first one has been done for you.

William sent Bella to get help.

Fishermen came to rescue William.

The boat hit some rocks.

William went to sea on his boat.

### Additional Homework Activities

These activities are optional, meaning that your child DOES NOT HAVE TO DO THEM, however they might enjoy doing them! If your child chooses to complete any of these, they can do them in their homework book.

1. Choose a favourite animal and draw and label its lifecycle.
2. Anti-bullying week takes place during the week beginning 14<sup>th</sup> November. Draw a child who is being bullied or a child who is bullying. Add thought bubbles to show what they are thinking and feeling.
3. Draw around your hand and create your own henna design. Different patterns symbolise different meanings, for example a bird means freedom and flowers mean joy and happiness. Write a sentence to explain what your pattern means.
4. We are learning about Mahatma Gandhi, who is famous for his words of wisdom. Research 'Gandhi quotes' and choose one with an adult. What do you think it means? How can we use it in our everyday lives?
5. Over a week, create your own weather chart. You could record the temperature as well as different types of weather. Can you think of symbols to show different kinds of weather?
6. Choose a capital city from the United Kingdom and make a poster filled with information about this place.