

Foundation

This week we have been journeying down a river. We read the story 'A River' by Marc Martin and then the children thought and wrote about where they might pass if they were to make a river journey. We also made some river art and investigated how to make a boat.

The children all enjoyed their Sport's Day – there was much cheering for each team member as eggs were carefully balanced and quoits placed on cones. Photos can be seen on the VLE.

This week in Maths the children have been thinking about money. We have looked at how we can identify different coins and what their values are. We practised buying things in a shop. To support this learning at home, you could set up a pirate shop where pirates are only allowed ten pounds each and all pieces of treasure cost one pound (or one pasta piece/lego block/pencil etc). Help your child to buy things from the shop with you acting as cashier. Questions you may like to ask include:

- How much have you spent so far? How much have you got left?
- How many more do you need to buy to have ten? If you buy those two jewels, how much will you have spent? How much will you have left? How do you know?
- If jewels are on offer, 'buy one get one free', how many will you get for five pounds?
- Can you make a shopping list, so you know how many things to get.

As we approach the end of the year, the majority of our assessments have been done so you will notice your child's Tapestry observations decrease in frequency and then stop.

Next week we are looking at the non-word book 'Journey'.

We hope you have a lovely weekend,

The Foundation Team