

Year Group: Year Two

Talk to me about...
Date: 19th June 2026
Our Learning Journey - Living in England



What we wanted to learn:	What we did:	What could I do at home to help me with my learning?
Literacy To write a comic strip. To order events in a story. To act out a story.	We read the famous book 'Father Christmas on Holiday' by local author Raymond Briggs. We acted out the story and watched the video to help us with our actions. We ordered the story and wrote speech bubbles as to what he could be saying. We planned our own adventure that he would go on.	Can you write your own comic about where you would like to go on holiday? Can you write a comic strip about your family going to different places and having problems?
Mathematics To solve different maths problems by applying what I know.	We solved problems with addition and subtraction. We recapped on the different strategies that we have learnt to help us add and subtract. Straws $7 + 6 = 13$ bundle together groups of 10 $42 - 17 = 25$ unbundle group of 10 straws Benefits Straws are an effective way to support children in their understanding of exchange when adding and subtracting 2-digit numbers. Children can be introduced to the idea of bundling groups of ten when adding smaller numbers and when representing 2-digit numbers. Use elastic bands or other ties to make bundles of ten straws. When adding numbers, children bundle a group of 10 straws to represent the exchange from 10 ones to 1 ten. They then add the individual straws (ones) and bundles of straws (tens) to find the total. When subtracting numbers, children unbundle a group of 10 straws to represent the exchange from 1 ten to 10 ones. Straws provide a good stepping stone to adding and subtracting with base 10 Dienes. We have been drawing pictures to help us to add.	I could make some number cards out of paper. Turn them all over. Then pick 2. Can you add them? Can you subtract them? I could solve real life maths problems as they arise. I could draw a picture to answer some addition and subtraction questions. I could get some sticks or straws and think about how I could answer questions with them.

Words for this week: hour, our, plant, bath, path

Maths Mental Fluency: Please revise all doubles and halves of multiples of 10. E.g. Double 10, Half of 40, Double 50. Numbots for 10 minutes a day. 1 minute maths 5mins a day.

Reminders and Notices:

Friday 26th June - Non-Uniform day - bring a bottle for the tombola

Saturday 27th June - The Gattons Summer Fayre

Wednesday 1st July - Transfer Day - Year 2 children to visit Southway for the morning and spend time with their new teacher and class.

Please drop the children off at Southway by 8.35.

Thursday 9th July - Summer school disco - 3.40-4.20

Thank you for you continued support, the Year 2 team.