

Monday 22nd February

Welcome to a new Half Term. I hope you had a lovely week off and are refreshed and ready for the next six weeks ☺

Learning Objectives:

The Raft - Response to front cover and first page.	Fractions - Number Sequences	Topic: The Mississippi
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Spelling

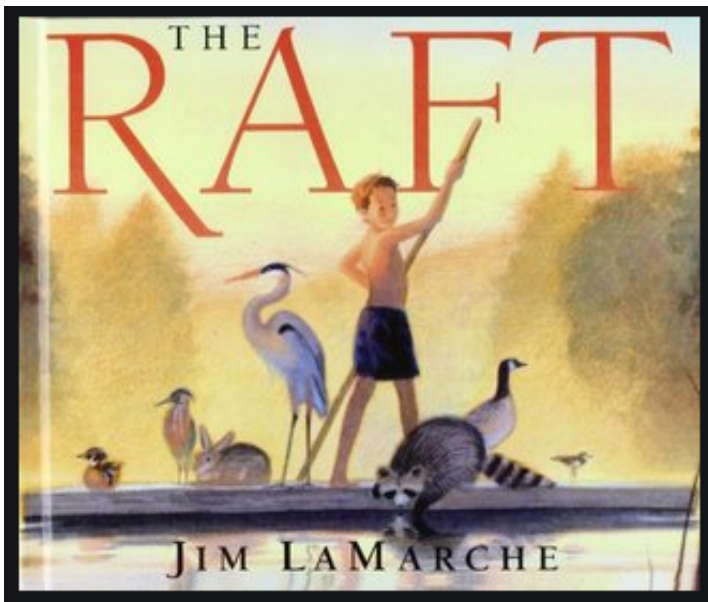
Mrs Evans' group - **curiosity, definite, desperate**

Mrs Tweddle's group - **notice, occasion, occasionally**

Please practise your spellings during the week both as individual words and as part of a sentence. I will test you on zoom on Friday!

English

For the next few weeks we will be completing a reading focus unit using the book: The Raft by Jim Lamarche.



Today we are going to look at the front cover to ask and answer questions, and use the first page to draw conclusions.

Complete both worksheets on the website.

Word of the week

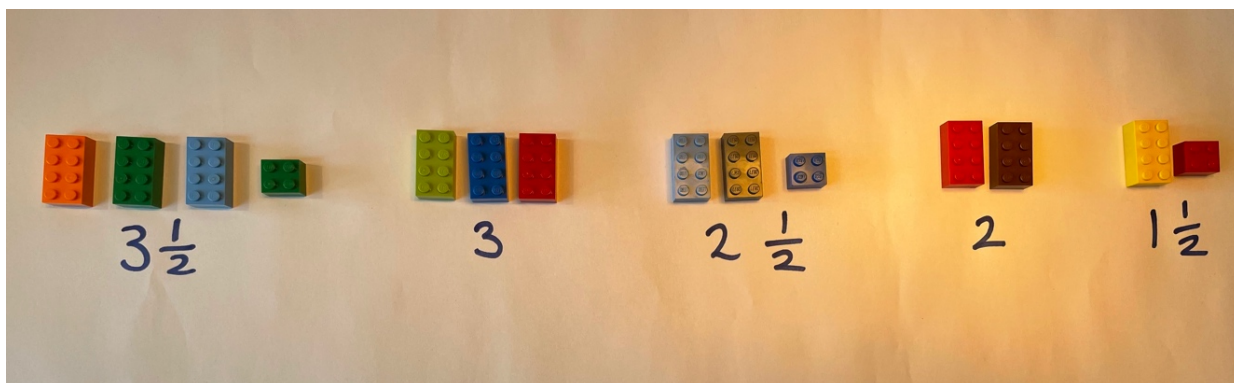
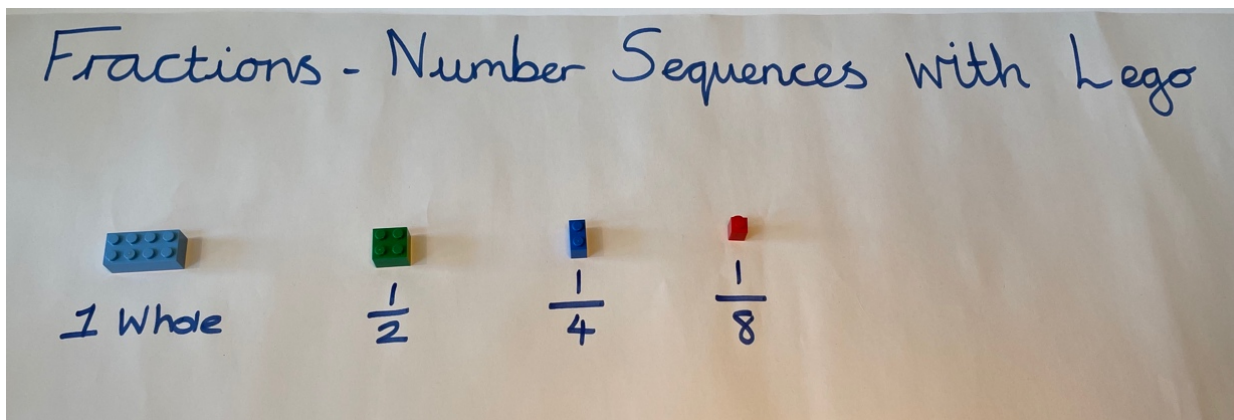
Each week I will be setting you a new word to learn. Find the definition and some synonyms (words with the same meaning) and antonyms (words with an opposite meaning).

You can complete this at any time during the week, but I would recommend you complete it early on so that you can use the word in your writing.

Maths

Today we are going to complete another lesson on Number Sequences.

Look at the Lego fractions below:



Can you see that the interval between each fraction is $\frac{1}{2}$?

Year 4 (and any Year 5 that would like more practise) head over to the video blog to see me explain number sequences with Lego.

Now complete the Lego number sequences sheet.

Year 5: Read through the PowerPoint and choose from the worksheets - Green, Orange and Red.

If you are happy and confident using fractions in a sequence you can choose one of the investigations.

Topic

Today we are going to learn about one of the USA's longest rivers - The Mississippi



Watch me over on the videoblog talk through its course from lake Itasca to the Gulf of Mexico.

- The Mississippi river is about 2,340 miles long!
- It runs through the states of Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, Illinois, Missouri, Kentucky, Arkansas, Tennessee, Mississippi and Louisiana.
- The Mississippi River is an important route for trade and travel.
- It provides hydroelectric power to several states.
- It played an important part in the lives of many Native Americans who used it for farming, fishing and trade.
- The stories of Huckleberry Finn take place on the Mississippi River.

Watch the video to take a tour down the river.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=en6iRAVtL30>

Task: Can you complete the map of the river labelling the states and towns using an atlas.