

Literacy

Children listened to the story Blue Penguin about a little blue penguin who was born and wanted to make a friend. After hearing the beginning of the story, children made predictions about what they thought would happen next. Children sequenced pictures from the story and discussed some of the features of fiction books.

Phonics

L2 – children learnt the digraphs (two letters, one sound) ss, ll and ff and practised reading words containing these.

L3 – children revised the GPC /air/ reading and writing words containing this sound.

L4 – children revisited the L3 GPCs and learnt to read and write words with adjacent consonants.

L6 – children learnt the alternative spellings for /ear/



Maths

Rec: Children have been sorting representations of amounts 0-5 and representing these in different ways. They have worked on their subitising skills by saying what amount they can see without counting.

KS1: Children have revised place value using 10p and 1p coins to make 2 digit numbers. They have also used the symbols greater than >, less than < and equal to = to compare different amounts and numbers.



Topic

We enjoyed exploring the snow outside and set up an experiment to see if the temperature was cold enough to freeze water in ice cube trays in our playground! In PSHE, we started our new topic 'Be Yourself' and thought about what makes us special and different to everyone else. In Geography, we listened to the names of the world's oceans and continents and had a go at locating these on a world map. In RE, we thought about different ceremonies and children shared their experiences.



Spring 1

10/01/25



Happy new year! We hope everyone had a lovely break and well done to all those who managed to get to school despite the snow and ice! Hopefully this will melt away over the weekend.

We would like to say a huge welcome to our new family who started at Queenswood this week!

In RE we are learning about religious and non-religious ceremonies. If you have any photos of the children attending ceremonies such as a wedding, christening, mehndi, graduation, naming ceremony, bar mitzvah, cubs/beavers investiture etc. please email them over to me as we would love to see them!

Find Mrs Tanner's bulletin here:

<https://www.queenswoodmorley.co.uk/news-and-events>

Find this half term's curriculum overviews here:

<https://www.queenswoodschool.co.uk/reception-infants>

Reminders & Notices

- Swimming starts again next week!
- Open Mornings will be 20-24th Jan - our Reception class is filling up for September but we still have a few places available - please spread the word about our lovely little school! It would also help if you could leave a Facebook or Google review of school to help prospective families know a little more about what makes us so special.
- Please ensure children who have piano lessons bring their books as lessons cannot go ahead without them.

Next Week

Monday: Homework due

Tuesday: PE pm

Wednesday: Homework goes out, PM swimming this (children come to school in PE kits)

Thursday:

Friday: Piano am, PE pm