



ST JAMES

Preparatory School

Year 2 Newsletter: Spring Term, Week 4

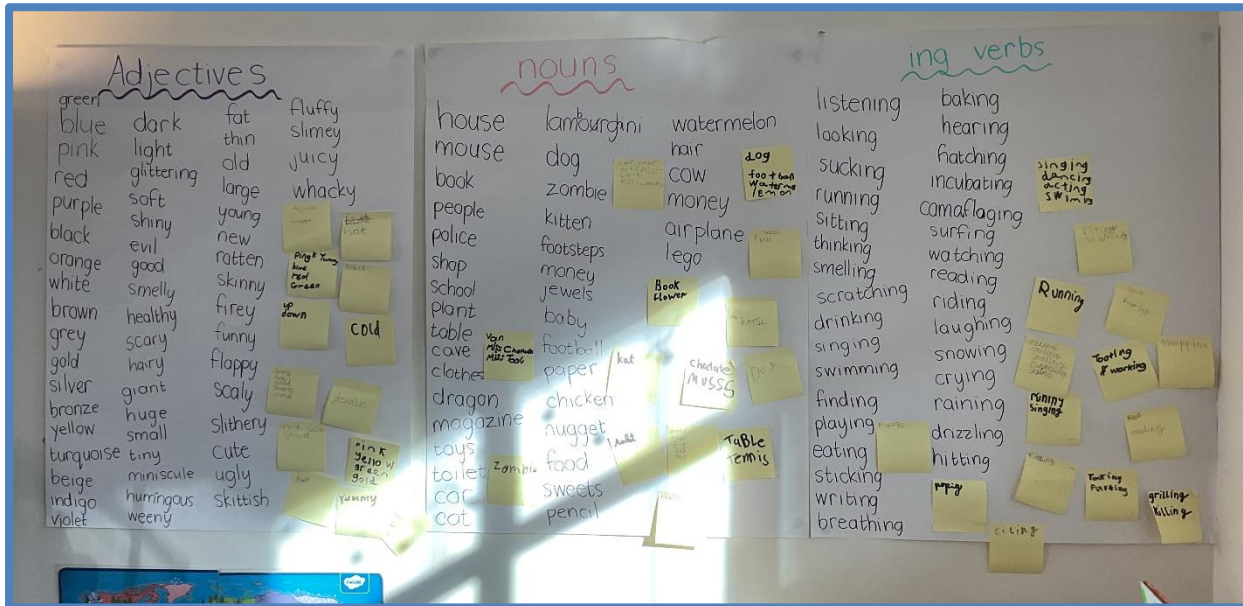
What have we explored this week?

What fantastic artists we have in Year 2! We are so lucky to have such a fantastic Art teacher, Mrs Fischel-Bock. This term the children have been working on observational drawing and painting from life. These glorious fruit bowls are currently brightening up our corridor!





Our Year 2s are developing into such talented writers. We challenged ourselves this week by looking at sentence patterns in our Talk 4 Writing story. When describing the cave in the story, the author wrote, "He saw dark shadows shuffling. He heard heavy footsteps shuffling." We saw that that author used a sense, an adjective, noun and an -ing verb. Using this sentence pattern and our word banks we wrote poems about what we might see and hear in a wizard's den!



30th January
 LI: I can choose adjectives and -ing verbs to support the noun.

In the wizards den...
 I saw ... poisonous cauldron floating...
 I heard ... his bubbly potions sitting

30th January
 LI: I can choose adjectives and -ing verbs to support the noun.

In the wizards den...
 I saw... poisonous cauldron bubbling I heard... sparkly candles shining.

30th January

I can choose adjectives and -ing verbs to support the noun.

In the wizards den...

I saw... old scrolls unravelling

I heard... a spell book slapping.

I smelt potions bubbling.

30th January

I can choose adjectives and -ing verbs to support the noun.

In the wizards den...

I saw... a dangerous potion bubbling...

I heard... golden crystal balls spinning.

Things to remember

- Children need to play 2 x 5 minute sessions per week on Times Tables Rock Stars on "garage mode".
- We have set the children up with **Spelling Shed** log ins for them to practise their spelling using the spelling games. The log ins are in the back of their yellow book. Once logged in, go to assignments. There is one assignment for the week's spelling words and the other two assignments will be active throughout the year for the children to practise exception and common word spellings. Please reach out if you have any questions. The use of Spelling Shed is optional.
- Our **Spring Bulb Competition** has launched! Children are encouraged to grow a bulb (or 2) at home and bring them in to school on Wednesday, 12 March when the first round of judging will take place. There are plenty of house-points and 'Green Thumb' certificates to be won - happy growing and good luck!
- We will be going swimming this half term. Please pack swimming kit in a St James string bag.
- Save the Date: In the afternoon of Friday 14th of February the school will be holding Grandparents and Special Friends Afternoon. Details will follow soon but, in the meantime, please save the date!
- If you have any questions or would like to inform me of anything, please do not hesitate to contact me via the office (office@stjamesprep.co.uk), via Class Dojo or at the end of the day.