

# Key Stage 1



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## Learning



### Hedgehogs

In English this week the children have been learning to write their own fantasy stories. They used the story of 'Beegu' to learn about problems and resolutions and a story mountain to identify the different parts of stories. They then changed parts of the story and made story maps to plan their ideas, wrote about how different characters were feeling and the thoughts they might have and then finished the week by writing their own fantasy story.

In maths the children have been learning to use the 'bar method' to help them problem solve. They have used this bar method to help them subtract numbers and find more than one solution to a problem.

### Squirrels

This week in English, the children have been carrying on learning to write biographies. This week they have gathered information about George Stephenson and learnt how to lay out biographies. Over the last two weeks the children have produced great biographies about their learning partners and a famous person from the past.



In maths, the children have been focusing on the inverse relationship between addition and subtraction. They have been using the bar method to solve number sentences. The children have also been using the inverse calculation to check a number statement is correct. For example:

$$23 + 13 = 36$$

$$36 - 13 = 23$$

### Rabbits



In English the children finished writing their fantasy stories they planned last week. We shared a new fantasy story with them called, 'Where the Wild Things Are' by Maurice Sendak and used it as a stimulus for drama to explore how characters behave and feel.

They wrote descriptions of how the character of Max felt at different points in the story. The children were asked to create their own 'wild creature' using a variety of adjectives.

In maths the children continued using the 'bar method' to help them work out the known and unknown information in a given word problem. They then solved a variety of problems, including those with more than one possible answer e.g. *There are 12 eggs in a box. Some are brown and some are white. What could be in the box?*

## Other information:

The children enjoyed a session of Easter activities at the church this week and also all looked amazing in their red clothes for 'Red nose day'.