



YEAR FIVE



Amazing Author Visit!

On Tuesday, Year 5 were lucky enough to have a real life author visit! Dave Rudden, author of the Knights of the Borrowed Dark series as well as a Dr Who short story collection, shared some of his best writing tips and an extract of his book. Dave (a self-confessed expert in crisps, books and beards!) told us how he came up with the idea for his books and showed us some strategies we could use in our own writing. We all enjoyed it, so much so that the teachers in Y5 have changed our next topic in English so we can write the stories we started to plan with Dave!



Mysteries of Maths!

We have enjoyed looking at properties of numbers—including prime numbers. A prime number is a number only divisible by itself and 1. Like Harry, we learnt some secrets!

You can find out if a number is a multiple of 3 by doing this little test. If the sum of the digits of a number is **divisible** by **3**, then the number is **divisible** by **3**. For example, 42 is $4+2=6$ as 6 is in the x3 table we know 42 is divisible

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50
51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60
61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70
71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80
81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90
91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100

Can you find any more rules to test if numbers are divisible by numbers 1-12?

Reading over Christmas

We all know how incredibly important reading regularly is.

It develops comprehension, equips our children with a wider vocabulary and helps improve their general knowledge.

Keep an eye out for the exciting new books that the children will be eager to read in 2019

<https://www.waterstones.com/campaign/new-books>

Decoration Day

On the 3rd December, Year 5 will be getting creative for Christmas!

Each year, we enjoy Christingle celebrations and the excitement leading up to Christmas by creating our own classroom decorations.

Look for some pictures of our creations in the next newsletter!

