

	Wednesday 10th June 2020 Home Learning – Year 2 - Week 2 – Wednesday
Reading 	<p>Read the first part of the story – ‘How the bees got their sting’ on Page 3 This is a type of story called a Myth. A myth is a traditional story, especially one concerning the early history of a people or explaining a natural or social phenomenon. Read the text and discuss any tricky words. We suggest these - murmured , Zeus , swarm , fond of, pollen , racked his brains, sparingly , quivered/quivering Then answer the questions on page 4</p>
Writing 	<p>Today you are going to write the first part of an information text about bees explaining what each part does, how it is important, how the bees use it etc.</p> <p>Remember an information text can be in any order. It needs subheadings to split the text in to sections. Use your plan to help you. There is an example of how I used my plan to write mine up on page 5 and the key features are pointed out to help you. You don’t have to write it all up today. You could do 2 or 3 sections today and the rest tomorrow.</p>
Maths 	<p>Term 6 week 1 lesson 3 In today's lesson, we will look at solving word problems that involve litres. Please click on the link below for the lesson and today’s task</p> <p>https://www.thenational.academy/year-2/maths/to-solve-word-problems-that-involve-litres-year-2-wk6-3</p>
Topic 	<p>Art today!  Design and make your own bee. You could use a loo roll, paint it or wrap it in coloured paper. Use coloured card if you don’t have any pipe cleaners. Or you could be creative and use any materials you wish.</p> <p>Remember – your teachers love to see the things you have made so send pictures to ark info!</p>
PE 	<p>Have you checked out Joe Wicks recently? https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAxW1XT0iEJo0TYIRfn6rYQ</p>
Fabulous Finish 	<p>Don’t forget to do at least 20 minutes Reading for Pleasure! We recommend: You could check out some other Greek myths https://www.storynory.com/category/myths/greek-myths/</p> <p>Number fluency: www.ictgames.com</p> <p>Spellings: Homophones</p>

	<p>seen, scene, side, sighed Practise the other pairs today. Write a sentence using each word. E.G A triangle has 3 sides.</p>

How the bees got their stings

"Buzz off!" shouted the queen bee angrily as a big, hairy hand broke into her hive. The hand simply brushed the furious queen and her worker bees aside and scooped out all of their precious golden honey. The bees buzzed and buzzed in protest, but there was nothing they could do to stop it. You see, in those days, bees were just harmless, fuzzy insects with no way at all of defending themselves.

"We can't go on like this, every time we nearly have a hive full of honey, someone breaks in and steals it all." The worker bees murmured their agreement. "Enough is enough," said the queen bee firmly. "Come along, all of you. We're going to see the great god Zeus."



The bees flew up through the fluffy white clouds and high into the sky above. They flew right past the north wind and over a rainbow, and at last they came to Zeus's palace.

"What's all this?" said Zeus when he saw the enormous swarm. The queen bee bustled up to the god and hovered in the air in front of his nose. "Good afternoon, Zeus," she said, dancing a curtsy. "I have come to see you about a most important matter."

The great god bowed politely to the tiny queen. "In that case," he said, "please come inside and explain".

"Your highness," Zeus said to the queen bee, and he laid a red velvet cushion on a throne for her to sit on. She settled on the cushion, folded her wings and cleared her throat.

"All summer long," she began, "my workers slave away, gathering pollen from countless flowers and making it into honey. But people simply break into our hive whenever they feel like it and steal our honey. We have no way of defending ourselves." The queen quivered with emotion as she spoke. "I'm appealing to you, as one ruler to another, to help us."

Zeus was fond of honey as anyone, but he didn't like to see the queen bee so upset. He racked his brains to think of a solution. Eventually, he came up with an idea. "I think I can give you a way defending yourselves," he said. "But it would be a shame if nobody could ever eat honey again. If I give you a weapon that will make people respect you more, will you promise to use it sparingly, and to allow them to take a little honey now and then?"

"Of course," said the queen bee, and her subjects nodded enthusiastically.

"Very well," said Zeus. "Go back to your hives and I'll let you know when the weapon is ready."

After the bees had left, Zeus went to his workshop and began to design a weapon so tiny that it could be fitted to the tail of a bee. When he had finally finished, he sent a message to the queen bee. She returned and Zeus fitted each and every bee with the miniature weapon.

"This weapon causes a painful sting. It will work as many times as you want it to, but you must promise that you'll only use it when it's absolutely necessary."

"We promise," chorused all the little bees. They flew away, wiggling their tails with pleasure, as pleased as punch with their new weapons.

Reading questions

1) Why didn't the bees sting the hand that came in to scoop out the honey?

2) Which things did the bees pass on their way to Zeus's palace?

Tick 2 (or write a, b, c etc)

A) Dark clouds	B) Fluffy white clouds
C) The North wind	D) The sky
E) A rainbow	F) The wind

3) What was the solution that Zeus came up with?

4) What did the bees promise Zeus?

English

My plan

Feature	My example	Your notes
Introduction	Pandas are native to China. National Treasure.	
Body part 1	Body fur all over black and white in colour camouflages them	
Body Part 2	Ears Small ears, exceptional hearing which detects predators	
Body Part 3	Stomach Digests bamboo, extra muscles in stomach to help. Stomach covered in mucus protect from splinters.	
Body Part 4	Nose Small button nose, great sense of smell, doesn't like being close to other pandas.	
Body part 5	Hands Called paws, extra digit on hand to tear bamboo.	

Example of how to write it up using the plan.

Giant Pandas

Introduction

Pandas are mammals that are native to China where they are considered a national treasure.



Bodies

As with most mammals, Pandas have fur or hair on their bodies. This thick fur is black and white in colour and is thought to help them camouflage.

Sub-heading

Ears

Although pandas have small ears they are thought to have exceptional hearing. This helps them to detect predators.

True facts
about the
body parts

Stomach

The giant panda's stomach is ideal for digesting bamboo as the walls of the stomach are extra-muscular to digest the wood of the bamboo. The stomach is also covered inside with mucus that prevents it from being punctured by splinters.

Different
ways to start
the sentence

Nose

Despite only having a small button nose pandas have a great sense of smell that lets them know when another panda is nearby so it can be avoided. If another giant panda does get close, the two will end up swatting and growling at each other. Sometimes they will even bite each other.

Hands

Did you know a panda's hands are called paws? Pandas have an extra digit on their paws which helps them to tear the bamboo.

