Date: 24 <sup>th</sup> May 2024	This week we have been learning about
English	* Watching, retelling, reading and listening to different versions of the story of Aladdin, culminating in watching the school production on Friday.  * Discussing similarities and differences between different versions and considering why these occur.  * Exploring the use of Language Through Colour to help us to identify parts of speech.  * Writing about characters using Language Through Colour.  * Describing scenes using expanded noun phrases (e.g. instead of writing 'I can see a monkey,' writing' I can see a small, cheeky, grey monkey swinging on the enormous tree.')  * Writing our own versions of the story.  * Revising split digraphs and thinking about how to spot them and how to know when to use them.
Maths	Position and Direction  * Describing turns.  * Describing position - to the left and to the right.  * Describing position - forward and backward.  * Describing position - above and below.  * Using ordinal numbers.
Other curriculum areas	PE - Tennis with the coaches and Swimming with Mrs Gooderham. RE - Recreating our own synagogue to revise learning about Judaism. History - How are modern nurses been influenced by Mary, Florence, Edith and Jennifer? What other significant changes have occurred? Art - Creating our own flower paintings in the style of Georgia O'Keeffe. Please do take a look at the small copies of these in our art display box, under the canopy beside the school office. PSHE - Who are my special people? Computing - Staying safe online. We spent time thinking about the importance of always having an adult in the room when we are online.
Other information and reminders	* All children should have brought home their wellies now. If yours are still in school, please let us know and we will have a look for them. Fingers crossed we will be asking you to provide sun hats and sun cream after half term! Please be aware of our rules for hot days. Children without a hat will be asked to stay in the shade, which is often only found at the very edges of the field and playground.  * A reminder that our Pet Show will be held on Wednesday 5th June. Thank you to the parents who have volunteered and those who have reminded us of fears and allergies.  * Between 10th and 14th June, Year 1 children are required to sit the Phonics Screening Check. We will aim to do this on the Tuesday and Wednesday so that we are finished well before the trip to Reculver on Friday14th. This will not be a pressured situation at all for the children just a chance to read some 'silly alien words' to me as they have done in Phonics lessons all year.  * Have a lovely break! We look forward to seeing the Jays on Tuesday 4th June.