I am thrilled to say that Year 2 have had an amazing year. The children have worked so hard and they have all tried their very best. Mrs Brooks, Mrs Brooks and I have thoroughly enjoyed our year with all of the children, as they have taken on all challenges with a huge smile on their faces and they have kept on trying until they have been successful.

## English

During History Week we looked at a range of fiction and non-fiction books about the Queen. We used these texts to write our own rhyming poem about Elizabeth. First we looked at different rhyming poems to see what we needed to include in our own writing. We realised that we needed to use different punctuation in our poems and we could also use adjectives too. Using lots of pictures of Elizabeth we thought of our own rhyming words linked to the Queen. This was lots of fun and some of our rhyming words made us giggle.

When we wrote our poems we made sure we used everything that we had learnt to create the best royal rhyming poem that we could. Our teachers were very impressed with our writing.

## Maths

During this half term we have focused on reinforcing and deepening our understanding of the four operations; addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. In order to do this we completed lots of investigations where we were able to apply what we have learnt in lots of different ways. Our teachers noticed that we were choosing our own methods to find the answers to our problems. We could even explain why these methods had been used. In addition, we were able to work more independently to complete our investigations which made our teachers very proud.

## Geography

In our geography lessons we focused on the four countries which are part of the United Kingdom and the surrounding seas. Once we secured this knowledge we then investigated the seven continents of the world. We really enjoyed finding out this information because we were able to use a map to find all of the continents. We even had the chance to link our learning to our local area by using lots of pictures of our coast to find reasons why people like to visit the seaside. We even explained why we like to visit the coast. Finally, we identified the physical and human features of the seaside and we were able to particularly focus on lighthouses. We had lots of fun looking inside different lighthouses around the world to see all of the different shapes and sizes.