**Monday 18th January 2021**

Our main writing task this week is going to be writing a letter to say goodbye to our friends. However, first I want to concentrate on writing the best sentences we can. So for today I’d like you to try and improve the following ‘dull’ sentences. Then I’d like you to carefully read through ‘The Journey’ and consider what you would say in a letter to one of your best friends when you found out you were leaving – possibly forever. Create a word map of feelings and information you would include.

Let’s look at the following sentence: The Mouse ate the cheese.

Remember, you can only improve sentences in a few ways:

1 – Add words in: The *greedy* mouse *hungrily* ate the cheese.

2 – Add on at the end: The greedy mouse ate the cheese *it stole from the shop.*

3 – Add on at the beginning: *Once it had hidden from the cat,* the mouse ate the cheese.

4 – Change words: The *rodent gnawed* the *cheddar.*

5 – Add a simile: The mouse, *like a tiny vampire,* ate the cheese.

6 – Alliterate: The *miniature* mouse *marvelled* at the chewy cheese cheerfully.

Try and change the following sentences in all six ways.

1. The rabbit jumped over the carrot.

2. The train travelled quickly.

Ext. Create your own ‘dull’ sentence and then improve it.