

Every week is a busy one at Pirbright Village Primary School, so we thought we'd take the opportunity to share with you some of the exciting things which have been going on inside and outside of the classroom in each year group.

Reception

Reception have had a very exciting week this week...the mischievous Evil Pea was on the loose! Can you guess what book we were reading this week? That's right...Supertato! We began by reading the book and completed a Drawing Club where we drew Supertato and added labels, using our knowledge of digraphs and trigraphs to help us! On Tuesday, we received a phone call to say the Evil Pea had been let loose in Reception and we spent the day looking for clues and making posters to help find him! He even trapped all the veggies and taped them to the windows! We used magnifying glasses in the woods and used tweezers to hunt through our Fine Motor tuff tray with hundreds of peas in...but he was no where to be found! We were incredible Superhero Searchers though and at the end of the day, we found Evil Pea and the cheeky pea was put back in the freezer where he belongs! In Art, we made Supertato collages and in maths, we learnt about time (how long 30 seconds is) and the days of the week. We drew a calendar on the board and discussed what we have done each day of the week to help us understand what days are in the past and which ones are in the future. We also learnt about numbers 9 and 10. In Music we divided up into groups and performed as a band. Some of us performed on the djembe drums, some on the glockenspiels, others were on hand held percussion and we all sang! It was so much fun to work together to create a performance. In PE, we practised for Cross Country on the field in the lovely sunshine and in French, we sang the whole Cowboy Song! In the provision we have fed Evil Pea with tweezers, measured lines with cubes, played hop scotch and painted daffodils.



Year 1

What a hands-on and creative week it has been for Year 1! The children have been busy designing and making their very own moving pictures using sliding, pivoting and spinning mechanisms. They worked incredibly hard to build their designs and were so proud to see their creations come to life! On Thursday afternoon, 1DG enjoyed sharing their fantastic moving pictures with RRE, confidently explaining how their mechanisms worked. Meanwhile, 1RG are excited to showcase their wonderful work to the Reception children next week. In English, we have started an exciting new book... although there's a twist — we don't yet know the title! All we know is that it involves aliens. This mystery inspired the children to design and label their own imaginative aliens, thinking carefully about their appearance, special features and unique powers. To top off an already brilliant week, we celebrated World Book Day! It was fantastic to see the amazing range of costumes and to hear the children talk so confidently about their favourite stories. The highlight of the day was watching the children take part in their very first poetry slam — they performed with such expression and confidence. What a wonderful way to end the week!



Year 2

This week in Year 2, we have been in full swing with our multiplication unit and are thoroughly enjoying learning the 2, 5 and 10 times tables. We have been using our knowledge that multiplication is the same as repeated addition to help us draw arrays and solve questions, and it has been wonderful to see the enthusiasm for logging into TTRS and earning coins to buy new instruments. In English, we continued writing about 'Caterpillar Shoes' and we revised using the suffixes -ed and -ly correctly in our writing, using interesting sentence starters to make our work more exciting to read and reminding ourselves what a noun, adjective, verb and adverb are — please quiz us on these word classes at home! In Science lessons, we learnt more about food chains, habitats and microhabitats, discussing why certain habitats suit different animals. This week's Forest School session was another great success and the children had lots of fun exploring in nature. World Book Day was another highlight of the week, with a focus on performance poetry. We learnt *The Minibeast Bop*, explored rhythm and expression and then wrote our own creative verses inspired by minibeasts. We practised performing with clear voices and actions before sharing our poem together as a class. It has certainly been a busy and exciting week in Year 2!



Year 3

What fun we've had in Year 3 this week! It was so exciting to see everyone's World Book Day costumes today and we had a great time exploring all things books! We focused on poetry and were even able to spend some time reading our favourite books with our Year 6 class buddies. Following on from last week, this week saw us consolidate our learning of lever and pivot mechanisms and use this knowledge to collaborate and make our very own Shadufs! We started by looking at the features of established Shadufs to design our own, used our collaboration skills to select the most appropriate resources and materials and then evaluated our creations to analyse its strengths and weaknesses. In Maths, we continued our fractions learning with a focus on scales, number lines and being able to count accurately in fractions with different denominators.

After delving into the life of Howard Carter last week and becoming him ourselves, this week we have focused on all of the key elements we need to write a successful diary entry next week in English. We have focused on the present perfect tense, using subordinating conjunctions and revisiting our double-word choices. It certainly had been a busy but fun week!



Year 4

The children all looked brilliant today as we celebrated World Book Day. We had a poetry focus today and have read, written and performed some brilliant animal poems. Year 4 have certainly been enjoying the sunshine this week with fabulous a fabulous hockey session with Ms Jackson and our second rounders session! We were so proud of our amazing athletes at the Year 4 Sports Hall Athletics in Guildford on Wednesday! They were fabulous ambassadors for our school and we were so proud of how well they performed! The children in school made some wonderful animal art using a range of different media and patterns! In Science we have been writing up the conclusion to our Egg experiment and we now really understand the importance of good tooth brushing and dental care to avoid tooth decay. In Maths we have completed our unit on length and perimeter and are very good at finding the missing lengths in rectilinear shapes – please ask us to explain how we do this! We have enjoyed reading the next chapters in our Krindlekrax story and are so excited to find out more about the adventures of Corky, Ruskin, Elvis and the Krindlekrax in Lizard Street.



Year 5

It has been another busy and varied week in Year 5; our core text, *'The Arrival'*, has provided the inspiration for several pieces of learning: In English, the children have begun to draft letters from the main character to his family back at home, describing his journey and the strange, unfamiliar land that he has found himself in. In Maths, the children have now completed a long series of lessons that focused on decimal numbers; they finished the week by completing some very challenging activities that required them to convert between equivalent decimals, fractions and percentages! In History and Geography, we started our local area study, using maps of Woking and finding the location of different features, both current and historic. The highlight of the week, of course, came on Friday when we joined the rest of the school in celebrating World Book Day. This year, we had a particular focus on activities linked to poetry, and we also enjoyed reading with our buddy classes in Year 2 – all in fabulous fancy dress!



Year 6

In Year 6 this week we have been focusing on our DT sewing projects. We have all of the skills and ideas ready to go and have begun attaching details to the front of our cushions ensuring that we have a range of different stitches and our work is of the highest quality. We are making some great progress and they are looking fab already! In Maths, we have been working on our understanding of percentages, which has been a real challenge. This is definitely an area which could be a focus for work at home to continue to build our confidence and understanding. In English, we have been working on some the skills needed for writing newspaper reports in preparation for writing next week about the notorious killer Kissin' Kate Barlow from the book Holes. Our week ended with a brilliant WBD - our last of our primary school days!

