



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




This week we have been learning about Pets! We played a game called 'What am I?' where we were given clues about pets such as 'I have 4 legs. I like to go on walks. I bark', and we had to guess what pet was being described. We found it lots of fun and some were quite challenging! We also learnt how to care for our pets and the importance of food, water, shelter and love. We discussed our own pets if we have one and how we look after them. We also spoke about how different pets have different needs and need to be cared for in different ways. In maths we have learnt about mapping. We have designed our own maps and used our new knowledge of the vocabulary 'next to', 'in between', 'above', 'behind', 'in front of', 'below' and 'on top of' to help us make maps with the small word animals. We had lots of fun doing this! In phonics we have been writing sentences each day and are becoming a lot more independent. We are so amazed at how many long words we're able to write now! In the provision this week, we have had fun in the dog grooming role play area where we cared for pets by giving them baths and fur cuts, painted pet animals in the painting area, practised writing phase 4 words by identifying what pictures we could see in the 'message in a bottle', I spy and matched phase 4 words and pictures, filled in missing numbers to 20 with number pegs, made complex repeated patterns and had the best time in the words playing a subitising to 20 game where we had to look for all the hidden pictures! We also stayed cool with some calm story and fruit time in the shade!

Year 1




What a hot week it has been in Year 1! We are very pleased to say that we survived the heatwave and have felt incredibly lucky to be able to escape into the air-conditioned comfort of our classrooms. Despite the soaring temperatures outside, it certainly hasn't stopped us from producing some wonderful work. We began the week by completing our end-of-year assessments, and our teachers were amazed by how hard we have worked and just how much we have learned throughout the year. In Maths, we finished our learning on multiplication and division and are now confident counting in 2s, 5s and 10s. In English, we have continued reading *The Mixed-Up Chameleon*. This week, we designed our own characters and wrote detailed descriptions about them. It has been wonderful to see how much our character descriptions have improved since the beginning of the year. On Wednesday, we finished our work on seasons! We have spent all year learning about each season, so it felt only fitting to complete our learning about summer this week. We went outside to take a photograph under our class tree and observed how it has changed throughout the year. We then discussed all the things we can expect to see during summer, including buzzing bees, dramatic thunderstorms and, of course, delicious ice cream! We have also enjoyed getting creative in Art. We have been learning about the sculptor Lisa Larson and exploring how sculptures are made. Using play dough, we practised creating our own sculptures and are very excited for next week when we will make our final pieces. Well done, Year 1, for another fantastic week of learning. We are so proud of all your hard work and enthusiasm, especially despite the hot weather!

Year 2



Year 2 have had another busy and exciting week of learning! In Computing, we used Purple Mash to create presentations using typing, drawings, uploaded images and animations. We enjoyed exploring the different tools and becoming more confident when presenting information digitally. In English, we finished our unit on *Something Fishy* by writing another setting description based on the scarier part of the clip where the shark appears. We thought carefully about our senses and used adventurous vocabulary to describe the gloomy and suspenseful setting. In Geography, we have been learning about map symbols and matching them to their meanings. We explored Google Maps and then planned our own maps using a range of symbols. In Maths, we have been focusing on statistics, particularly tally charts and pictograms. We have been interpreting data and answering questions where one image can represent 1, 2 or even 5 items. It was not an easy decision to not go on the beach trip this week, but we still had a wonderful day. We enjoyed planning and beginning to make our bathing machines, eating ice lollies and playing games together. This is the last home learning sheet of the year; however, you will still receive this weekly blurb to keep you updated on all the wonderful learning taking place in Year 2.



Year 3 It's certainly been a very hot week here in Year 3 but the children have shown great resilience! This week, we have continued our unit of shape in maths with a focus on angles and lines. We began the week by comparing different angles and whether they are bigger or smaller than right angles. We learnt the key terms obtuse angles and acute angles. Why do you ask us what these words mean? We practised drawing and measuring also and drew shapes which included different sized angles before going on to consolidate our knowledge of horizontal and vertical lines. This week has seen us start a new genre of writing in English, closely linked to our environments topic. We started by looking at the recent work of David Attenborough and Greta Thunberg and their ideas for the world around us. We had a healthy debate on Tuesday all about how we could change the world. We learnt how to note take and then created some of our own fact files about these two famous environmentalists. We continued with our work on Leonardo Pereznieto this week by adding our new shading and hatching skills to 3D shapes in preparation for creating our own. We also found time to finish off, build and evaluate our CAD eco-packaging designs this week.



Year 4 Well- what a hot week it has been! Despite the crazy heat we have been able to complete our end of year assessments and we are so proud at how well the children have done. In English, we are continuing to get some wonderful writing based on our Roman slave to Gladiator story. The children have been really inspired to write some very creative stories which are fabulous to read. In maths we have moved onto our angles and shapes unit – please ask your child to explain the difference between them all. We are looking forward to getting back to playing cricket in our PE next week and our last spelling test of the school year. Don't forget it is an INSET day on Monday, please enjoy an extra day on your weekend. We are attaching the details of our Summer concert song on the reverse of this sheet- please encourage your child to practise singing this at home to learn the words and the tune. Thank you for all of your ongoing support with 4LB and 4BC this year – it has been a delight to teach your children!



Year 5 The exceptionally hot and sticky weather made this a most unusual week, and we were all very disappointed that our trip to the Shah Jahan Mosque in Woking had to be cancelled. While the heat certainly created challenging conditions for learning, the children showed great fortitude in battling on to successfully complete several activities. We made the most of the relatively cool first hour of each day to complete a final round of summative assessment papers. These assessments are incredibly valuable, both in gauging the children's progress to date and in starting to prepare them for the SATs tests next year. More excitingly for most, we wrapped up our Maths unit on decimals and moved on to negative numbers. We began with a quick recap before comparing, ordering, and counting in sequences that extended above and below zero. Finally, we took advantage of the sunny weather by heading outside for PE, playing cricket when possible and switching to boccia when forced to seek the shade!



Year 6 Phew! What a scorcher! Despite the heat, our intrepid Year 6 children have been in the hall practising for the performance this week - as we have very little opportunity next week: Inset Day and secondary school transition days taking priority. The children are doing a great job learning lines and perfecting their scenes. The songs are really taking shape too! We have also continued our Maya topic with the children demonstrating their independence in focused research, selection and presentation - all key historical skills to develop prior to KS3. We've had just a few children staying for the afternoons and they've been fabulous!

