



Pirbright's Learning Week

Friday 11th September 2026

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

We've had a fantastic week settling into school. This week in Reception we have spent lots of time learning our Morning Groups, learning routines and learning our classroom expectations. We've done this through listening games and Circle Times. We've enjoyed learning one another's names and making new friends with the children in our Morning Groups, the rest of the class and next door! We've had lots of fun outside on the bikes and in the sandpit learning our rules of how to be safe and how to look after our toys. We've also loved exploring our reading corners where we have got cosy under a blanket with a story, sometimes on our own, sometimes with a friend and sometimes listening to a teacher. We've explored our fine motor areas where we have used elastic bands to make shapes and used long rubber sticks to bend them into shapes. In our maths areas, we have explored numbers to 5 and had a go at matching numbers to their representations. We've had lots of story times and opportunities to share our thoughts and ideas through discussions with the class. Our teachers are so proud of how well we have settled into school and we are super excited for another fun week!

Year 1

It's been another busy week in Year 4- we have been very excited to start designing and making our Steady Hand games. We have all chosen a theme for our games and have been busy decorating our shoe boxes (thank you!) ready to put in our electrical circuit ready to invite Year 3 to come and play our games. In English we have written a Non-chronological report about The Snoozatron and have now designed our own cracking contraption to tidy up our rooms! Please ask us about our ideas! In maths we are focussing on place value up to 10,000! We have had all the excitement of the House Captain elections and look forward to finding out who has won on Monday! Please don't forget to sign up for some lunchtime clubs. Next week PE will be on Wednesday and Thursday with Potted Sports on Friday!

Year 2

What a wonderful week it has been in Year 3! We have continued to develop our place value knowledge, focusing on representing and partitioning numbers up to 1,000, while also consolidating our arithmetic skills during our Fluency Friday sessions and showing off what we can do. In English, after immersing ourselves in the exciting text How to Wash a Woolly Mammoth last week, we have been sharpening our skills by exploring imperative verbs and ambitious adjectives in preparation for writing our own set of instructions next week. Let's hope our advice helps get that mammoth nice and clean! Alongside this, we have enjoyed learning about important stories from the Bible in RE, helping us deepen our understanding of key Christian teachings. To top it all off, we had the opportunity to experience democracy in action during the House Captain elections. Phew, what a busy and exciting week it has been in Year 3!

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Year 5

It may only be the second full week of Year 5, but it's certainly been a busy one! We started the week with our first cold write, creating a piece of dialogue. Our adults were really impressed by just how much we had remembered about writing speech from Year 4. We've also been loving our class book, *Cosmic*, and we can't wait to find out what happens next week! In Science, we've continued our space theme by learning about the different planets, as well as looking more closely at our own planet, Earth, and its relationship with the Sun and the Moon. In Art, we have been exploring Peter Thorpe's work in more depth, focusing particularly on the foreground and background of his artwork and considering how effective each can be. The Year 5 team have been so impressed by the children's thoughtful contributions—it's clear that we have some very talented artists among us! Speaking of objects flying through space, we were also lucky enough to squeeze in two lessons of Ultimate Frisbee this week! Now that we're beginning to master the different throws and catches, we've started learning the rules so that we can begin playing proper games. Finally, on Thursday, we had the exciting opportunity to vote for our new House Captains. This was also when the realisation set in that, for some of us, it was our last chance to have our say before it's our turn to take on the role next year! Well done, Year 5, on another wonderful week! We're already looking forward to everything next week has in store as we continue learning, discovering and having fun together!

Year 6

After our exciting day at Sayers Croft last week, the children wrote recounts of their adventures in English before returning to our WW2 focus text, *Letters from the Lighthouse*. We have discussed the experiences of evacuees during the war and have considered the arguments for and against children leaving their families. In maths, our focus is on place value – comparing numbers and rounding. We have explored the concept of propaganda in history and considered the role of key leaders during WW2. We also enjoyed drumming in music and following a variety of beats, reading music notation. In PE we developed our football skills and played small-sided games.