

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 great week full of lots of exciting things! We started the week by reading 'What the ladybird heard' as part of our continued theme on Animals. This week we have focused on farm animals. We discussed the story and made a prediction about what we thought the story might be about by looking at the front cover. We then learnt about animals and their young and played a Bingo game where we had to match the adult animal to the baby. Why not ask us what a baby goat and baby goose is called? In maths, we have been playing some recapping games and in phonics, we have continued to practise longer Phase 4 words. We have been doing lots of rehearsals throughout the week in preparation for the Summer Concert on Thursday which was so much fun! We are so proud of ourselves and loved performing our song. We also loved watching the other year groups perform too! Some activities we have had in the classroom this week has been puppet making with animal cut outs and lolly sticks in our puppet show area, making sheep using finger painting, cleaning muddy animals in our outdoor water area and finding out one more and one less in our maths area. We ended the week on the water slide which we really enjoyed! It was a great way to cool down in this hot weather! We can't believe we only have one week left in Reception!



Year 1

It is hard to believe that we are nearly at the end of Year 1! This week we have been using clocks to tell time to the hour and half hour and using our knowledge to think about whether it takes seconds, minutes or hours to complete everyday tasks. Why not ask us to predict how long it will take to complete a task at home and then time us to see how close we are? In English, we have been busy recapping our phonics and enjoying our last group reading sessions of the year. We have also been working on our last Art project - making clay animals. We began by exploring how to make different textures and patterns using a variety of modelling tools. We then made a plan for our project, thinking about how we could use these techniques to replicate fur, fins, scales or feathers. Finally, we made our animals and now we can't wait to paint them next week! We have been so lucky with the sunny weather on Wednesdays and had great fun at the tennis club, playing lots of games to improve our footwork and hand-eye co-ordination. A highlight of the week was our visit from Mr. Underwood, who told us all about his dog, Monty, and helped us understand about dog safety and how to keep a dog healthy. We were so excited to continue our rehearsals for the Summer Concert. Thank you so much to everyone who came and supported us on Thursday evening. We hope you enjoyed our performance!



Year 2

We've just had the best week ever filled with fun, creativity, and unforgettable experiences! We kicked off with an amazing trip to Littlehampton Beach. While it was sweltering back home, we were lucky to enjoy dreamy weather: a gentle breeze, clouds for shade, and the cool sand and sea at our feet. Watching the children splash in the waves, build incredible sandcastles (and even a seaweed monster!), and enjoy ice creams was pure joy. The excitement continued on Wednesday when the wonderful Steph joined us for a Victorian peg doll workshop. It was just the perfect creative boost when we were feeling a bit tired. In the afternoon, we began exploring the features of a bathing machine during DT, sparking lots of curiosity and ideas. Thursday brought the energetic Jungle Rumble drama workshop, full of laughter and movement, as well as starting to design our own bathing machines using CAD. We wrapped up the week with an incredible Year 6 performance; what a fantastic show. It's been a truly memorable week packed with learning, laughter, and creativity. We can't wait to enjoy the last two weeks together of what has been a truly excellent.





Pirbright's Learning Week

Year 3

The music is still ringing in our ears from yesterday's rocking Summer Concert. Thank you so much to every one of you who joined us- weren't the children amazing?! As I am sure you can imagine, a performance as good as ours took a lot of rehearsal time, but we still found time for plenty of learning too. In English, we wrote an information text about the life of Greta Thunberg using our research and knowledge of non-fiction texts. Our Maths lessons have seen us finishing our money topic, learning how to calculate change and applying this to practical problem solving. We have also begun to look at statistics, exploring how data can be shown in different ways such as using pictograms. As part of our topic, we have been learning about artists who use nature as a form of inspiration. One of these artists was Andy Goldsworthy. Having studied a number of his pieces of artwork, we then tried to recreate our own versions by using shape, light, perspective and depth. It really has been a fantastic year and we wish you all a lovely, relaxing summer!



Year 4

We have been busy rocking out this week preparing for our amazing performance at the Summer Concert - we hope you enjoyed watching it as much as we enjoyed performing! Our costumes looked great and our air guitaring was off the scale! We have also been busy completing our end of term assessments, finishing our maths unit on shape and angles whilst starting our new maths unit on statistics! What a week! In English, we have loved reading the story of Romeo and Juliet, sequencing the main events and we have started to write our narrative poems! We certainly have some budding poets in the class - please ask us to share our favourite rhyming words! Our sewing skills have certainly improved and we have all made a unique, draw-string money bag! We can't wait to bring them home to show them to you. Next week, we are very excited about our turn on the waterslide on Wednesday afternoon- don't forget to bring your swimming costumes and towels. What a truly fabulous year we have had in Year 4 with so many highlights to look back on- wishing you all good luck in year 5!



Year 5

As we move towards the end of the academic year, both classes have been busy with two major projects this week. The first, of course, has been preparing for last night's Summer Concert. The children have worked so hard over the last couple of weeks to learn all of the lyrics and dance moves, so we were delighted that so many of them were able to come back to school and perform both the whole-school song and our Year 5 contribution to the 'Battle of the Bands'! It was a real team effort, a wonderful evening of entertainment and a fitting way to round off the year. Our other major focus this week has been on Viking myths. Last week, the children completed a lot of preparation for this task, learning the original story, familiarising themselves with the principal characters and settings, and collecting banks of descriptive vocabulary. This week, they have put it all together, composing their own version of the Norse creation story. We still have some editing and improving to do next week, but these pieces of extended writing have really given the children an opportunity to shine and show just what talented writers they really are; hopefully you will be able to enjoy reading them yourselves at our 'Celebration Afternoon' on Monday.



Year 6

After the excitement of the Year 6 performance last week and despite the build up to the summer concert, the children have been working diligently on their Mayan projects in class. This the last history topic of the year - and indeed their primary education - and brings together all the historical enquiry skills to produce a Mayan fact file. These are a lovely way to finish the topic books this term and the children have presented their learning beautifully. Also, this week, we have shared all the river projects home learning that they have created over the last few weeks. These are of the highest standards and we have been so impressed by the time, energy and effort that has gone into these. We finish the week with a morning of Forest School and then some clay work in art, creating Mayan Stella - totem poles.

