

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 an exciting week learning all about Healthy Eating! We started off by drawing around one of us and filling the body with all the things we could think of that are healthy for us. Why not ask us if we can remember some of the things we should do/eat in order to stay healthy? Should we eat lots of them or small amounts? We read the story 'What Food Will You Choose?' and discussed what foods are healthy for us and which ones are only healthy if we eat them in moderation. We watched a Healthy Living video and discussed the different types of foods such as fats, carbohydrates and protein. In Art, we learnt about Arcimboldo and who he was. We made our own pictures using fruit and vegetables to look like a face, just like he did. In maths, we have learnt about sharing. We practically shared items amongst our group to see if we could share that number out equally. We also practised subitising and using Play-Doh to share out different sized balls and discuss what is fair and unfair. In French, we learnt how to say octopus in French and recapped some other sea creature words! On Thursday, we enjoyed Pirbright Has Talent and had a great time watching all the fantastic acts. We also learnt how to make popcorn this week for our Enterprise Project and the process that takes place to turn a kernel into a popcorn! Music this week we became composers for the first time! It was so much fun! We were given the notes C and D to compose with on the glockenspiels and we made up our own musical patterns to play along with our song from last half term, Big Bear Funk! In our provision this week, we have had a Fruit and Veg shop roleplay, played a phonics game with a dice to read the phase 3 word, found different ways to make 10, given cars a bath and did some cutting and sticking with cartoon characters.



Year 1

What a fantastic week we have had in Year One! On Wednesday, we were lucky enough to visit the British Wildlife Centre. During our visit, we were shown around by enthusiastic keepers who introduced us to lots of different British animals. These included foxes, hedgehogs, Scottish wildcats, deer and otters. The children represented Pirbright brilliantly by listening well, learning new facts and asking relevant questions. We even had the opportunity to see owls up close. Ask us to share a fact with you about our favourite animal; we learnt so much! In preparation for our visit, we used our English lessons to write about which animals we were looking forward to seeing, extending our sentences using 'because'. After our trip, we wrote a recount about our day. We have also focussed on animals in our Science lessons, learning about carnivores, herbivores and omnivores. In Maths, we have explored place value to 100. We have practised counting forwards and backwards from any number and partitioning tens and ones. We were lucky enough to enjoy Pirbright has Talent on Thursday afternoon. We were especially proud of our Year One performers—you smashed it! Thank you to everyone who visited today for our Learning Look. We hope you enjoyed it!



Year 2

It's hard to believe we're already in the last term of the year—time has truly flown by! We're excited to spend these final seven weeks together. This week kicked off with PE sessions led by Ms. Jackson and RE lessons with Mrs. Parsons and Mrs. Ruddy, where the children explored what makes a good leader. In History, both classes enjoyed learning about the inspiring lives of Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole, discovering their significance during the Victorian Era and comparing their journeys. In Maths, the children used their knowledge of how to find a quarter, to find three quarters of shapes and numbers. They also practised counting in fractions and completed an end-of-unit assessment to show their progress. In English, we watched a wordless video clip called 'Something Fishy' and we summarized the story and collected vocabulary to describe the emotions of the main character. Meanwhile, 2BT began preparing lines for next week's class assembly, while 2HJ focused on developing teamwork skills through games like rounders, quickly growing to enjoy the sport. The highlight of the week was definitely Pirbright Has Talent — we're so proud of all the Year 2 children who took part and represented their year group brilliantly!





Pirbright's Learning Week

Year 3

The children obviously had a wonderful half term as they have come back full of stories and energy which bodes well for what is set to be a busy final half term in Year 3. Building on our descriptive work from last half term, we planned and wrote some vivid descriptions in English, detailing how the scene through a window has changed due to land development. We tried hard to use some of our "words of the day" vocabulary and the various sentence structures we have practised this year. In Maths, we have begun looking at our shape unit, learning about turns and angles. We hunted around the classroom for examples of acute and obtuse angles and headed outside to try and master the clockwise and anti-clockwise turns! Our topic work, has brought us to begin thinking about how product packaging can be harmful to the environment. We discussed positive changes that could be made to the material and design used as well as beginning to explore CAD software which we will use to design a logo on our own packaging later in the term. We finished the week with a wonderful performance by 3ND for their class assembly all about forces and magnets. Well done 3ND!



Year 4

What a fabulous week of learning we have had since half-term! We started off with painting our Roman shields which we can't wait to finish and start learning some Roman Legion manoeuvres! We are busy writing our final diary entries for our Diary of a Roman Gladiator- we have been very keen to use our 'word of the day' words in our writing to make them even more exciting. Please ask us what happened in our actual battle in the Colosseum! In Maths we have enjoyed transferring our decimals knowledge to learning about money, estimating amounts, finding totals and using the decimal notation. We had our final tennis session this week and the We had a meeting about Ufton Court and all the children should have taken home a booklet explaining all the final arrangements- we are all getting very excited about this now! Not many sleeps to go! Pirbright has Talent was wonderful with some truly brilliant performances by lots of Year 4 children and a lovely way to spend a wet Thursday morning! Next week we will all be completing the official Multiplication check so please keep practising on TTRS. All the children had a practise on the official website and seen that it is just like the Soundcheck we have been using all week so nothing to worry about!



Year 5

Welcome back to the final half term of the school year! Our main focus this week has been on our current English text, *Beowulf*, which we have been really enjoying. The children worked very hard to scour the text for information about the main character before compiling it into a biography. It was quite tricky to blend a fictional character with a non-fiction genre! In Maths, we have started a short topic on decimals, and have been revising the place value of tenths, hundredths and thousandths. In RE, we began to look at the Church as a group, and discussed what it means to people to belong to a group, we thought about which groups we are a part of, and what it's like to feel excluded. In French, we continued learning the names of items of clothing and then constructed sentences about the things we would wear for different weathers or situations. In Music, the children have continued with their Summer term topic, *Dancing in the Street*. They compared the musical features of this song to Stevie Wonder's *You are the Sunshine of my Life*. Mrs Peers was really impressed that a couple of children could even hear the key change towards the end! They sang the song in groups before progressing to playing the melody on glockenspiels. Finally, we enjoyed the amazing *Pirbright Has Talent* on Thursday morning - congratulations to all of our fantastic performers!



Year 6

We have completed our work on *The Hobbit* this week, with excellent non-chronological reports about the various races of Middle Earth, and also the climactic scene when Bard takes on Smaug. The children showed how well they can up-level sentences with all their SPag knowledge being applied. In maths, we continued our Theme Park Maths unit, calculating profits for the first season after being hit by the Inland Revenue and the insurance companies! In RE, we have started to explore Buddhism and the origins of this world religion. In assembly on Monday, the children were also introduced to the concept humanism—a completely different view on the world. Pirbright has Talent was excellent and we were super impressed by our Year 6 children who practised diligently and performed very well! We are looking forward to the trip next week and have started to do some pre-learning and research about the places we will be visiting.

