

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

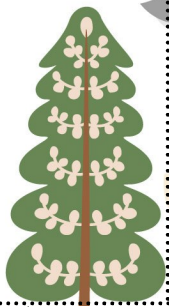
In Reception this week, we have been doing some learning about Easter and the season of spring and how it is different to the season we have just had; winter. We begun our week with a Tricky Word Bingo which we all really enjoy and find that it really help us learn those tricky words! We then learnt about what spring looks like and the features that tell us it is now spring. In maths, we have learnt about finding 1 more and 1 less to numbers to 10 and in the provision, practised doubling using numicons. On Tuesday, we had a fantastic morning out on the field doing Cross Country and we all did such a superb job! We all had a go and reminded ourselves that it's not the winning that counts but the taking part. In the afternoon, the wonderful Year 1 children came down to show us their learning of moving pictures, we were very impressed! We also had a trip to the Play Pod on the KS2 playground. On Wednesday, we made Easter nests and learnt about what reversible and irreversible changes are when it comes to food (chocolate!). We also did music with Mrs Herring which was very fun! We ended the week with our Easter Assembly and followed a map to find some Easter Eggs! Our teachers are very proud of all our hard work this term and so are we!



Year 1

Our Enterprise project has been our big focus in Year One this week! We began by discussing the meaning of enterprise and the basic concept of making a profit, before deciding that the best way to encourage people to spend money is with a sweet treat! After agreeing that biscuit decorating was the way to go, we all became bakers for the morning using our new sparkling science lab. We

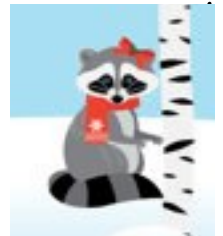
followed the recipe, doubling the mixture using our doubling skills from last week and learnt how to measure using different types of scales. We learnt the art of cracking an egg too, so hopefully no crunchy biscuits! A few hours later and 400 biscuits had been baked! Phew! The children designed posters to share around the school and set up stalls outside on the playground for lunchtime decorating. It was lovely to see the enthusiasm and we look forward to calculating how much we made during our first enterprise project! In other news, in English, we sequenced The Smed and the Smoos as we come to the end of the unit - we drew storyboards and recorded our retelling on the iPads. In Maths, we revisited doubling and learnt how this skill can help us with near doubles. For example, if we know $4+4=8$, it should help us calculate $4+3$ or $4+5$! In D&T, we evaluated our moving pictures and shared them with Reception. We were very proud of the the children's efforts and the Reception children were very impressed too! Not only that, the weather gods were watching over us on Tuesday as we managed to finally complete our cross country! The children showed such resilience and made everyone very proud with their determination! We wish you a restful Easter break.



Year 2

This week started with a bang: the trip to Nower Wood. The children were absolutely amazing. They

all showed their Pirbright Values from the very beginning to the very end. So much so, that they staff at Nower Wood commented on how lovely they were and how they thought they were Year 3s! The day saw the children learning about plants, exploring nature, hunting for minibeasts and looking at what they had found in more detail under the microscope. An excellent day had by all. The rest of the week consisted of the children trying to finish their minibeast puppets, finishing off maths units and learning why Christians celebrate Easter. On Tuesday, the children took part in the school's Cross Country event. The children were again, absolutely amazing. We knew how tired they were but they were all in, running their little hearts out. Finally, on Wednesday, the children got to finish Forest School off in style by cooking marshmallows on a fire. What a busy few weeks Year 2 have had; we are all very much ready for a rest and reset. Enjoy your Easter holiday everyone!





Pirbright's Learning Week

Year 3

We hope you all enjoyed such a wonderful end to the Spring term with our Year 3 Pop-Up Museum, full of artefacts and knowledge shared by the children. It was lovely to see so many parents sharing in their children's learning, and celebrating the hard work the children have put in over this term. We are sure you will agree that they all deserve a well-earned rest over the Easter break. It has been great also to see the children trying their very best and using their Pirbright Value of Resilience during our eagerly awaited Cross-Country event. We are so proud of the supportive attitude the children showed and the excellent team spirits which shone throughout the event. In maths, we have finished off our first unit of the learning on fractions, reviewing our understanding of numerators and denominators, and their role in showing the size of a fraction. We have checked our understanding of placing these on a numberline and how to make direct comparisons of them, applying them also to identifying when a fraction is representing one whole. Finally, we looked at the significance of Easter in the Christian calendar, considering what it means to us and how we celebrate this event. We want to wish all the Year 3 children and their families and very wonderful Easter break.



Year 4

The final week of the Spring term started with a fun adventure in the Forest School area on Monday. We lit a big fire, toasted marshmallows to make smores and practised whittling with sticks. We have certainly had fun in the Forest this half term – why don't you ask us what our favourite part of Forest School was? In Maths, we started looking at improper fractions, converting between mixed numbers and improper fractions as well as equivalent fractions too! English saw us continue looking at poetry this week and in particular Kenning poems. We collected a range of nouns and adjectives as well as interesting verbs to describe a chosen animal. Why don't you ask us to share our poems and see if you can guess which animal we are describing? Our art final pieces have really started to come together this week and we worked hard to paint our sculptures and sew our symbols. Excitingly, we finally managed to complete the Pirbright Cross Country – woo! The resilience shown was amazing and everybody did a fantastic job! Enjoy a well-deserved rest Year 4!



Year 5

Year 5 have been so busy this week, completing all our topic learning as well as producing the Easter Assembly to perform to the whole school. We finished writing, editing and publishing our Diversity stories, using the year 5 writing wishlist, which the children took great pride in. We were finally able to have our Cross-Country Competition - all the children tried so hard, demonstrating fantastic sportsmanship and enthusiasm - we were so proud of them! As we look forward to next term, there will be many opportunities for the children to participate in sports representing their House Teams or the school, so we are delighted to have so many to choose from. Of course, a good proportion of this week was spent in learning lines, rehearsing and perfecting the Easter Assembly. We were very impressed with the final performance - the whole school really enjoyed our Easter Celebration - a fantastic way to finish the term. We do hope you have a lovely and restful Easter break, and look forward to seeing everybody next term.



Year 6

This week, the children in Year 6 have made a heroic effort to keep learning right up until (almost) the last minute of the spring term. Our Maths work in particular, has seen the children revising their knowledge and skills by working through a range of activities including calculating with fractions, working out the circumference and area of a variety of different circles and BODMAS (the order of operations). In Science, after learning about how the heart and the lungs work, this week we focused on the function of the blood; we did this by making our very own 'blood', using orange squash for the plasma, marshmallows for the white blood cells, Cheerios for the red blood cells and raisins for platelets! This week, we have also been focused on raising money for the Easter raffle. After selling tickets, advertising the raffle and of course bringing in so many Easter treats, the children were thrilled to learn that they had raised nearly £300 towards their residential trip. We hope that everyone has a well-deserved rest over Easter and come back ready for what will be a frantically busy summer term!

