

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 Reception have enjoyed listening to the story 'Julian is a Mermaid.' After reading this story, the children discussed the importance of being able to express themselves. We discussed our likes and dislikes and considered how important it is to respect others' choices. We also spent time talking about what makes us special and unique and enjoyed seeing a variety of special objects and stories. Following on from our initial learning about Oral Hygiene we have spent time considering foods that are a healthy choice for our teeth and how too much sugar can damage our teeth if we don't care for them properly. We have been putting this into practice by following instructions to brush our teeth correctly using our own toothbrushes, for 2 mins. During Maths, we have begun to understand that some quantities will share equally into 2 groups and some won't. Using a ten frame we have noticed that some quantities can be grouped into pairs and some will have one left over. We have used the vocabulary odd and even. A busy week!



Year 1

Year One have had a lovely week which started with some English! We read a bit more of The Boy Who Grew Dragons and discussed the key features of a report. We then planned our own and used our imagination to create our own unique dragon! We then wrote our report up in beautiful handwriting on Wednesday and are so impressed with how creative and bright our books look! In maths, we have been comparing numbers to 100 using different representations, such as dienes, cubes, dice etc and used $<$ $>$ and $=$ to compare them. In Science, we have learnt about Birds and discussed what makes them different to mammals. In RE this week, 1GE made their own Torah's which we filled with things that are important to us, such as sharing and being kind. 1JL learnt about the importance of rules in PSHE and how rules are similar or different inside and outside of school. On Thursday, we had a wonderful Diversity Day and had lots of lovely discussions about what makes us unique and special. We read a story about diversity and set ourselves challenges that we will read this time next year! Have a great weekend!



Year 2

We have had another busy week in Year 2 and it's been jam packed with exciting activities. In D&T we have started to create... Victorian bathing machines! We began by carefully drawing and labelling our plans and discussing the features we would like to include. We then moved onto cutting our boxes and painting them with bright stripes and we can't wait to finish them next week. As well as this, we made posters to advertise why people should visit the beach in Victorian times and learnt all about Punch and Judy shows. On Wednesday we went on a fantastic school trip to visit Littlehampton seaside and enjoyed spotting human and physical features, paddling in the sea, going on a seaside treasure hunt and eating ice creams! In Maths this week we have continued our statistics unit, with a focus on block digraphs and pictograms and used our problem-solving skills when one picture was worth more than one person. In English we began by revising and learning more homophones and then later in the week, wrote detailed recounts of our school trip, making sure we sequenced the events correctly and included time sentence starters and interesting vocabulary. This week has also seen us meet up as a year group to start learning our song for the summer concert and we have shown great enthusiasm!





Pirbright's Learning Week

Year 3

This week we've been in a math's frenzy and the children have loved all the math's challenges that we've sent their way. They have learnt all about parallel and perpendicular lines. Drawn polygons and become masters at recognising and describing 2D and 3D shapes. The children became vloggers and made mini videos for their friends about polygons. We have also continued our mental health unit in PSHE and have looked at the range of emotions we feel. We looked at what activities throughout our day effect our mood and categorised emotions into positive and negative. Some were slightly trickier than others and the children came up with amazing answers as to why fear might be a negative emotion but also a positive one that keeps us safe from harm. This tied in perfectly with our diversity day learning where we read the book 'Rainbow Hands' and discussed how colours can represent our feelings and make people feel different emotions.

Most of our afternoons have been taken up with practising our summer concert song. We apologise if your child has come home singing it and if the song now has permanent residency in your head. The song has also tied in so nicely with our weeks theme of Diversity, emotions and our school all being one big family.



Year 4

The children have now started their architecture unit in art where they explore the buildings of famous and diverse architects before creating their own unique design over the next couple of weeks. We have continued our creative writing based on two fictional children who lived in the doomed city of Pompeii, with first person recounts and poetry. In maths our focus has been on angles and turns, focusing on the terminology of this topic—acute, obtuse, clockwise, anticlockwise. We have been investigating traditional Italian food in preparation for creating our own pasta dish in DT over the next couple of weeks. Preparation has started towards the summer concert and we have been working on 'We go together' from Grease! which will be our year group song that evening—tricky words to remember!



Year 5

Year 5 have had a busy week as we continue to learn all about the Anglo-Saxons., beginning our non-chronological reports using all the information we have so far. We also researched Anglo-Saxon beliefs and found information about their Pagan Gods, and how many of the settlers in Britain converted to Christianity. In addition, we had an interesting lesson about the hierarchy and justice system during Anglo-Saxon times. A very competitive Kahoot quiz was enjoyed by all to test our understanding on this topic. Thursday saw the whole school celebrate Diversity Day, where we looked at, and celebrated all the things that make people different, and all the things we are proud of. A very purple day in Year 5; all the children showed their Pirbright Values of Respect and Pride as they discussed the story we read, and the things that make all of us unique.



Year 6

Things have been unusually quiet in Year 6 this week, with lots of the children off to visit their new schools on their transition days; we loved seeing the excitement on their faces and hearing about all of their new teachers and lessons. Meanwhile, the children at school have also been kept busy! On Tuesday, they spent the morning running a fantastic PE lesson for the Year 1 children: there was bench ball, penalty shoot outs, tennis and even obstacle races! I know that Ms Jackson was incredibly grateful for their help and enthusiasm. In addition to this, they have been tasked with designing their very own countries, where they have had to consider the outline of the country, flag design, currency, biomes, natural resources, landforms and population. After this, they used *Digimap* to bring their country to life, considering where in the world they would like their country to be. With only a week to go, preparations for the Year 6 summer show of 'Macbeth' have well and truly turned up a notch! There has been a lot of singing, dancing, costume designing and scenery painting. We hope you are excited to come and watch next Friday (2pm).

