

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

Our life cycles theme has continued this week as we have been sharing an information text to help us to learn about the lifecycle of a frog. We have created mini frog shaped booklets to sequence the stages and we have used our sounds to add labels and captions. Our baby caterpillars are extremely hungry and are growing fatter by the day which is fascinating for us to observe. We have continued to delve deeper into doubling and have been applying our knowledge to play doubling games and solve doubling challenges. We enjoyed learning all about King Charles the third and his special coronation celebrations. We all got involved with a variety of royal activities including designing a coach fit for a king, drawing portraits of King Charles, making our own Union Jack flags and writing a list of party food for a traditional afternoon tea. In the afternoon we all enjoyed singing, dancing and celebrating this historic event in our royal fancy dress with the whole school. Enjoy another lovely long weekend and all the local celebrations.



## Year 1

Year One began the week with some maths where we completed a challenge to see how much we remember from the Spring term! We also used what we had learnt to help with our gardening this week by measuring amounts when deciding how much water we need to water the plants and measuring how tall our plants have grown so far. In DT, we made flowers using Play-Doh to practise and then we used Air Dry Clay once we had decided exactly what our flower will look like. We used our Super 6 skill of Creativity and Perseverance for this lesson and it really showed! In English, we started reading 'Oliver's Vegetables' and made predictions about the text using the front cover. We also discussed the author and illustrator and what they do. We then read the story and made a list of the vegetables in the story and wrote what vegetables are our favourites. In Computing, we carried on with Coding and are becoming experts at using the laptops. In RE, we recapped what Shabbat is and discussed why Jews rest and why it is important. We ended the week with a fantastic and fun day to celebrate the Coronation!



## Year 2

We have had great fun continuing our Victorian topic learning this week, looking at the artist L.S. Lowry's work. We jumped inside two of his paintings and used our senses to think about what we could see, feel, taste, smell and hear around us. We then looked at how L.S Lowry drew and painted people and buildings and had a go at copying his style. After this, we used pastels to carefully create our own Victorian townscapes. In our History lessons, we have been spotting the similarities and differences between Victorian homes and our homes. We were surprised to learn that many Victorian homes had outdoor toilets which were shared. We also had great fun learning new team games in our PE sessions, as well as different athletics skills including jumping, running and throwing. On Friday, we had a royally good time, taking part in many Coronation themed activities, dressed as royals! Well done Team Year 2!





# Pirbright's Learning Week

## Year 3

Year 3 really have packed this four day week full! We continued reading *The Window* and wrote our own persuasive speech about whether we thought the changes to the window were good or bad. We looked at adding facts to our writing to support each point and then used our year 3 wishlist to add in key features.

In Maths, we have continued with our unit on fractions focusing on equivalent fractions, showing these on a number line and bar model. The best bit of the week was our trip to Gilbert White's House! We had fun exploring the surrounding area through orienteering, learning about animal adaptations and all about plants.

We are so proud of Year 3 for how well they represented Pirbright School. In Topic, we have continued with our Engaging Environments topic. We learnt all about biodiversity and food chains for the rainforest and Antarctica and looked at what happens when a human variable disrupts this.



## Year 4

This week, in Year 4, the children have been fully immersed in the Ufton Court exhibition! Due to the short week (Bank Holiday and the Coronation celebrations) the children started the week by finishing off their decimals unit in maths and writing up their recounts of the trip in neat in English. After this it was all systems go planning, making and practising ready for the exhibition. The children came up with their own groups, resources and ideas of how to teach you guys all they had learnt on the trip. We were so impressed by how fully engaged they were throughout the whole process. They did us all proud. The Coronation celebrations finished the week off nicely. We very much enjoyed dressing up, singing and celebrating with each other.



## Year 5

It has been a short, yet jam-packed week in Year 5. In our English sessions, we retrieved information about Michael from 'Kensuke's Kingdom' in order to plan and write character descriptions. We had a very specific wishlist of features we needed to include. In Maths, we have been learning about angles and used our knowledge of angle types to estimate measurements and then



used protractors to measure accurately. Our topic lessons have been really fun this week with some Geography map work and DT dreamcatchers. We ended the week with a day of celebrations

for the King's Coronation. 5LB delivered a wonderful assembly all about the royals and we had a great time with some art, dancing and singing throughout the day. Enjoy the long weekend!



## Year 6

It has been a short week but, in true Pirbright style, we have crammed an awful lot in! Not surprisingly, the mornings have been taken up by some last-minute preparation for next week's SATS. The children have largely set the agenda themselves, choosing the areas that they most wanted to revise and practise. In Maths, we have covered an eclectic range of topics, including ratio and proportion problems, properties of shape, calculation strategies and algebra! Our SPaG practice has been similarly wide-ranging: looking at tenses, word classes, advanced punctuation, sentence structure and tone amongst others. We also worked collaboratively on some reading comprehension questions, focusing in-depth on how to gain maximum points from the all-important 3-point questions that lurk at the back of every SATS paper. In the interest of preserving everybody's mental wellbeing, the afternoons have officially been a SATS-free zone. This week, we have learned about how to make sensible spending decisions in PSHE, how to troubleshoot faulty electrical circuits in Science, played rounders in PE and even composed French raps to practise the vocabulary related to homes and rooms. All that plus today's coronation-themed fun and games – it's been quite a four days!

