



Pirbright's Learning Week

Friday 18th November 2022

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 focus text this week has been The Jolly Postman. We have taken our time to read this story and have spent time exploring each different character and where they live. After reading the story we have begun to create a class story map. The children have begun learning about the work of the postal service, the role of the postman and the journey of a letter. The children have enjoyed exploring our post office role-play area- many letters have been written, sent and sorted! In our Maths this week we have been exploring the numbers four and five. Using our noticing skills, we have begun to identify and represent the numbers four and five on a five frame. We have continued to use the language one more and one fewer to discuss the difference. During our choosing time we have practised our letter formation of our new graphemes, made tricky word watches, begun to programme a beebot and use positional language when playing hiding games! We were all very excited to share our topic learning at our first learning look!



Year 1 This week has been an exciting one for Year One! On Monday, we did our first Reading Group where we practised prosody and decoding. In English, we used our senses to imagine we were in London in on the night of The Great Fire of London in 1666. We then wrote recipes on how to make bread and then sequenced the steps of bread making. In Topic, we planned and designed our bread before we visited Thomas Farriner's bakery on Tuesday and made our own bread rolls! We tried hard to ensure they looked just like our plan and we then evaluated our bread...we thought they were delicious! We also discussed what we need to do in the kitchen to ensure good hygiene. In Maths, we have continued with Part, Part, Whole models and started learning our number bonds to 10. In PSHE, we learnt about the importance of looking out for and taking care of one another for anti-bullying week. We showed our support by wearing odd socks on Wednesday to show the importance of embracing our differences! In RE, we learnt about why Christian's read the Bible and we ended the week with our Learning Look where we were very excited to show off our fantastic learning!



Year 2

This week, our journey around the world took us to Brazil! In English, we joined Mr Elephant on his Rio journey and discovered lots of famous places in Rio de Janeiro. First, we used our knowledge of expanded noun phrases to describe landmarks such as Sugarloaf Mountain and Copacabana Beach. We then looked at describing them using alliteration. We then applied our use of conjunctions to be able to write persuasive sentences to tell others why they need to visit Brazil. In Maths, we moved onto looking at subtracting a one-digit number from a 2-digit number and we did lots of practical learning, ready to give column subtraction a go. Year 2 certainly impressed us with their geography skills this week. They were able to use an atlas correctly to find Brazil and use it to label the capital city, other cities, countries and oceans that border it. Of course, Friday was our brilliant Brazil Day! It was fantastic to see the children dressed up so brightly... we had so much fun! The Brazilian carnival certainly reached Pirbright!!



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Year 3 What another jam-packed week! With this week being Anti-Bullying Week we have discussed and embraced our differences and thought about how we can stop bullying in different situations through kindness. We enjoyed wearing our odd socks to school for Odd Socks Day as well! Year 3 have continued their learning on Addition and Subtraction, focusing on 3 digit numbers, including exchanging, using the column and place value grid methods. Ask your child to show you how to exchange for addition and subtraction with 3 digit numbers and to tell you how they know they need to exchange. Which columns they are borrowing from and where to place them. We have finished our 'How to Wash a Woolly Mammoth' unit in English planning, writing and editing our own instructions for how to look after another animal, including using imperative verbs, adverbial phrases, conjunctions and expanded noun phrases. We also started our new Guided Reading book 'The Legend of Spud Murphy' and focused on the two VIPERS skills of Prediction and Vocabulary. In Topic, we planned our own investigations into which rock is the most suitable for different purposes such as cutting food, building a house or dwelling and creating cave paintings. We discussed that this kind of scientific enquiry is all about problem solving. The children used their Super 6 of Collaboration to work together and conduct experiments to solve these problems. Great job Year 3!




Year 4



After a rather restful weekend, Year 4 were back on the coach to the Spectrum to start their course of swimming lessons. The two classes have been on slightly different timetables this week due 4HJ's class assembly. However, in English both classes have enjoyed writing instructions for their own firework and a narrative based on a firework display (both lessons inspired by our book). In Maths, having successfully worked through addition and subtraction, the children started learning all about area. Alongside this, the children have enjoyed more of The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe, and how earthquakes happen. The highlight of the week was of course 4HJ's class assembly. The children were excellent as always and made Miss Jackson, Mrs Parsons and Miss Fidge very proud. Well done 4HJ!



Year 5



This week in year 5, we continued with our Harry Potter learning as part of our 'In Your Imagination' topic. We have enjoyed reading many chapters this week and look forward to it each day. Professor Snape's potions room began as our focus at the beginning of the week in our English lessons as we generated descriptive sentences about the setting and worked on using the many SPaG features we have been learning to use over the past couple of weeks. In Maths, we looked at multiplying and dividing by 10, 100 and 1000, making sure we could explain how the digits changed value and place holders are added. In our afternoon topic lessons we have explored many areas of the curriculum. Giving directions around Hogwarts using the 8 points of a compass was great fun as was setting up a scientific 'potion' investigation to use our Scientific enquiry skills and understanding of key words such as dissolving, solution, saturation and evaporation. In computing we began our coding topic with a recap of the many different programming skills we have learnt during our time in KS2. Another busy and jam-packed week!



Year 6 Things are starting to feel a little bit festive in Year 6 this week! With the rehearsals for Jack & the Beanstalk beginning, the children are full of excitement about putting on a fantastic show! In English, we have used our core text for this term, Letters from the Lighthouse, as the inspiration for researching, planning and composing some non-fiction writing about lighthouses. Did you know that the first lighthouse is believed to have been built in 280 BC and that the world's tallest lighthouse is 131m high? Our WWII topic has seen us learning all about the child evacuee programme this week: the children worked hard to empathise with the evacuees, using drama to understand how they may have been feeling at the time. The children then applied their knowledge of the evacuations to write a diary entry of an evacuee; they were certainly full of emotion! In Maths, we have moved on to a new topic: fractions. This week, the children have been refreshing their understanding of what fractions are, recognising equivalence and also how to simplify fractions.

