

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

We have been focusing on traditional rhymes in Reception this week, especially Humpty Dumpty and Hickory Dickory Dock. Inspired by the Police visit last week, we have been investigating the crime scene following poor old Humpty's fall! We used clipboards to draw and label what we think happened to him. In Maths our focus has been counting backwards from 10 and using the language associated with subtraction. We have been using the rhyme '10 in the Bed' to help us too. Following on from our lessons on Oral Hygiene last week, we have been putting this into practice by following instructions to brush our teeth correctly using our own toothbrushes, for 2 mins. Spring is in the air and we have been learning how to recognise those exciting signs that are springing up everywhere! We have loved exploring the school grounds for spring flowers, buds, blossom, new leaves, bees and butterflies.

Hopefully we will soon enjoy some warmer weather and spot those baby bunnies and lambs too. We hope you enjoy a lovely Easter break and are visited by The Easter bunny, bearing gifts. Well done Year R!



## Year 1

Our final week learning about All Creature Great and Small down in Year One! On Monday we began with gymnastics in the hall and our Practise Reading session. In the afternoon, we learnt about Herbivores, Omnivores and Carnivores and as part of our Topic lessons, throughout the week we have gone pond dipping which has been really exciting! On Tuesday we had Pets/Animals day! We presented to the class a photo of our pets and discussed what we do to care for them (if we have a pet!) and spoke about what pets we like. We made mini books on different pets and wrote about how we look after them and some facts we have learnt. After lunch, we designed, made and evaluated bird feeders! We filled them with bird seed and hung them in the wooded area. On Wednesday, we had music and continued with our Beegu book where we wrote thought bubbles from the characters' perspectives. In the afternoon, we did some pet data collection to see which pet was the most popular amongst the class. On Thursday, we compared numbers in maths and in English, we wrote letters to Beegu followed by a fun afternoon of Pirbright's Got Talent! We finished this week with our final Practise Reading Session, some fun Easter activities and a lovely visit to the farm to see and learn about the animals. We hope you all have a lovely Easter break!



## Year 2

What another fantastic week we have had in Year 2! This week we completed our minibeast research, decided our subheadings and wrote and published our very own non-chronological reports.

We continued looking at fractions in Maths, focusing on how to find  $\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\frac{1}{4}$  and a  $\frac{1}{3}$  of a number.

The highlight of the week has definitely been our new Design and Technology project. We started the week looking at different types of puppets and then began designing our own minibeast hand puppets. On Wednesday we were very busy practising the running stitch and over stitch before we started to assemble our own puppets. We can't wait to see the finished product!

This week we also watched Pirbright's Got Talent which was amazing! We hope you have a lovely half term. Well done for all your hard work Year 2!





# Pirbright's Learning Week

## Year 3

It's certainly been a busy last week of term in Year 3. We became museum curators on Monday and showed our parents all the fantastic work and learning we have completed over the term.

Thank you so much for those that could come. In Maths, we have been busy finishing our Statistics unit and interpreting tables and recapping our previous units. We have finished our Ancient Egyptian topic by completing a DEAL conclusion on our food preservation experiment in which we put an apple slice into different solutions. We rounded off the week with the Easter story and looked at the different symbols that are associated with it and made our own stained glass windows incorporating the symbolism we learnt about.



## Year 4

How is it already the summer term?! This thought has crossed our minds many times over the week, but the children have worked so incredibly hard and truly deserve their Easter Holiday. This week, in Maths, the children finished their unit on fractions by finding fractions of quantities and subtracting fractions from a whole. In English, they continued to enjoy reading 'KrinkleKrax'. In the lessons they revised their speech punctuation, wrote from a different character's point of view and the ending to the story. They also enjoyed an experiment that demonstrated the digestive system. It was very funny watching them squirm as we discussed how food travels from our hands, through the organs and out into the toilet. I am sure this is one they will remember for a while! The week finished off with Pirbright Has Talent and Year 5's Easter assembly. Have a lovely break everyone.



## Year 5

This week in Year 5 we worked on adding and subtracting fractions, considering finding the lowest common denominator, as well as simplifying fractions to their lowest form. In English, we planned and wrote diaries from the point of view of Robert from 5 Children and It and worked on that all important wishlist again! We had a fabulous time on Wednesday morning as we all became potion masters! We learnt about reversible and irreversible changes and chemical reactions and channelled our inner wizards in order to create 'potions'. After completing our experiments, we wrote scientific DEAL conclusions, later in the week, where we described and explained our learning. Our Easter assembly planning is well underway now as we learn our lines and get as much practice in ready for next week and our performance to the school.



## 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 time, shape and area. In English, we have (very sadly) wrapped up our work on Louis Sachar's 'Holes'. As is traditional, the final task was to put all of our writing skills together to plan, draft and edit our own ending to the story before finding out what the original author wrote. Happily, there was time for a little light relief on Thursday afternoon when we joined the rest of the school to enjoy the fantastic spectacle that was 'Pirbright Has Talent'. It was great to see another traditional staple of Pirbright life returning to the calendar and we were all impressed, thrilled and amazed by the talent on show! We hope you all have a lovely Easter break and we look forward to seeing you all again in the summer term.

