



# Pirbright's Learning Week

Friday 25th March 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

It has been another busy and exciting week in Reception. At the beginning of the week we read 'The Gingerbread Man' and enjoyed joining in with repeated phrases and actions. After reading the story we felt inspired to make our very own gingerbread men. Delicious! We learned how to mix the ingredients together and thought about the changes we could see throughout the baking process. Miss Durdle and Mrs Greer had some surprising news for us—the gingerbread men they had baked had escaped! They had even caught them on video running across our classrooms! The children made hunted high and low around our classrooms and outdoor area for clues! During our Maths sessions we have been using the language of length to describe objects. We hunted around the classroom to find objects that were longer than or shorter than our shoes. This led us to learn how to measure our shoes accurately using non-standard units. ON Friday we were puzzled to find someone had been busy nibbling our gingerbread men and had left a muddy foot print behind. We used our new measuring skills to prove we hadn't been the ones eating the gingerbread. Excellent measuring Year R!



## Year 1

Year One have had a great week! We began the week with our first Practise Reading Session and a maths challenge to recap all our knowledge this half term! In the rest of our maths lessons this week, we have recapped One More and One Less than a given number and compared different numbers.



In English, we have continued reading Beegu and we thought carefully about what we already know about Beegu, her appearance, her emotions and her personality and put these ideas inside and around Beegu's body. We also described our friend and why they're important to us. This made us all smile when we read them out.

In Topic, we have been learning about fish and reptiles this week and then had a fun activity of classifying animals and putting them into groups using all our knowledge from the last few weeks. We also learnt about herbivores, carnivores and omnivores.

In PE, we worked with a partner in gymnastics to practise paired balances where we used our Super 6 skill of Collaboration, Creativity and Perseverance! On Tuesday, we were taught about minibeasts and wildlife by the lovely Year 2 children out on the field and learnt lots of new facts. On Thursday, we had a fantastic time during Family Lunch and enjoyed the sunshine. What a busy but exciting week!



## Year 2

What a difference the sunshine makes! Year 2 have had a fabulous week of learning! On Tuesday afternoon, we completed our Learning Challenge to teach Year One everything we know about minibeasts and get them involved in some of the different activities we did at Nower Wood. It was amazing to see how much the children have learnt this term and how much they have grown over the year. They were incredibly nurturing and great teachers to the Year Ones.

We continued looking at fractions this week and have moved on to find halves and quarters of different amounts. In English, we collected the research about our chosen minibeast, chose our subheadings and wrote the introduction to our non-chronological reports. We can't wait to carry these on next week.

Thursday saw the beginning of our very exciting DT project—sewing hand puppets! We looked at existing products, designed our own and practiced some stitches. What a week!





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## Year 3

It has been all singing, all dancing in Year 3 this week! Well done 3DD for an amazing performance, all your hard work has paid off! 3DD have left big boots for 3EP to fill. Miss Palmer has got some great ideas for 3EP's assembly next term. We cannot wait for you all to join us on Monday 28th March for our Pop Up museum, we have spent this week putting all the finishing touches together to show all of our amazing learning for our Exhilarating Egyptians topic. In maths, we have been learning about 'Statistics' and recapping our learning from Year 2. We then focused on making our own bar charts and pictograms and answered worded questions about the data. We even created a pictogram to show the favourite fruits in the class, lots of exotic fruits with mango and papaya being the front runners! We have thought about the scaling of our bar charts, and how to represent half of a scaled number in pictograms. Great job Year 3!



## Year 4

What a joy it was this week to see the children enjoying the sunshine; everything is better when the sun comes out! Last week, we rounded up our Ancient Greek learning by looking at Alexander the Great and the Greek language. This week, we have moved onto our Science unit: 'Animals including Humans'. The children recapped food groups and the importance of a balanced diet, as well as learning the names of the teeth and how they decay without proper care. In Krindlekrax this week, the children wrote character descriptions alongside a recount and a diary entry. In Maths, the children recapped how to add and subtract fractions as well as subtracting fractions from a whole. The highlight of the week was our sunny family lunch. It is so nice to see Pirbright back to its traditions welcoming families into the school.



## 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

It has been a really mixed-bag of a week in Year 6 this week. Our main focus in school has been completing another round of SATS practice papers. We were impressed by the dedication and perseverance shown by all of the children in tackling what was a tricky set of tests; we are sure that this will stand them in good stead for May! We have also been busy getting stuck into our final Maths topic of the term: ratio and proportion. Meanwhile, in RE, we have continued to study the events of Holy Week, as described in the Bible, and how they are commemorated by Christians at home and in church during the Easter period. On Thursday, many of the Year 6 children took off to Guildford Spectrum to take part in the annual Sportshall Athletics festival. As ever, it was great to witness the children being so successful in the various events and equally gratifying to see how they conducted themselves in terms of sportsmanship and their impeccable behaviour.

