



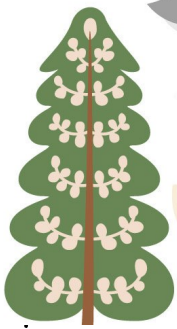
Pirbright's Learning Week

Friday 3rd December 2021

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 we have had two exciting elf visitors! Hip and Hop have come to stay and learn about life in Reception. They are kindness elves who are looking forward to seeing us spread kindness throughout our day. We have been busy retelling the story of the Jolly Christmas Postman through creating our own story maps. We sequenced the story correctly and recalled all the characters that the postman delivers to! During our Phonics sessions we have been revising the digraphs th, ng and nk. We have been challenging ourselves to spot the digraphs in words before we read them. It's tricky but we are trying our best! In our maths sessions we have been singing lots of number rhymes to help us find one more and one less than a given number. Using practical resources, we represented our answers in different ways. Another key focus throughout the week has been our name writing. We have been working hard to start with a capital letter and form each letter correctly. We are very proud of our named Christmas trees!



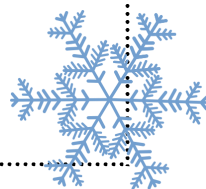
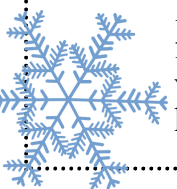
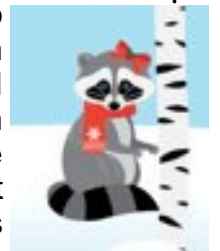
Year 1

What a busy week Year 1 have had. We started the week with maths and practised writing numbers to 20. We practised writing both the number and the word. We also did our first Practise Reading Session of the week where we practised some words and sounds as well as our expression when reading. In the afternoon, we did some outdoor PE and in topic, we sorted firefighter pictures into 'then' and 'now'. On Tuesday, we did fluency maths and practised our number bonds to 10 and how to use a tens frame. In English, we have been writing about firefighters in 1666 and firefighters now and how they compare. Why not ask us to tell you some facts? In topic, we labelled a firefighter's uniform and said wrote about why their uniform is important. In maths for the rest of the week, we continued practising numbers to 20 and then moved onto Tens and Ones. On Wednesday, we had special deliveries in 1GE and 1JL...we wrote questions to our special visitors and thought carefully about how to use question marks. We focused on comprehension in our Practise Reading Groups and on Thursday afternoon, we learned about symbols within a church. On Friday, we continued with Tens and Ones and in English, we wrote about what we'd like to be when we grow up. In PSHE, we made fire safety and fire danger posters and ended our week with a celebration of last week's fantastic home learning.



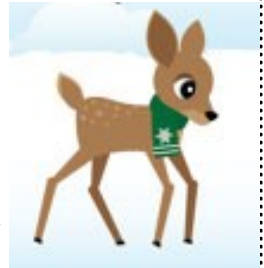
Year 2

What another fantastic week in Year 2! We have continued on our tour of Kenya by comparing school life to the UK. We thought about what is similar and different about a Kenyan classroom and our classroom here at Pirbright—we were surprised by what we found out! Our African masks came together this week; they were finally dry and we were able to paint them! We were also able to learn some new African dance steps and expand our knowledge of African animals. In English, we demonstrated what amazing Year 2 writers we are, by writing The Lion King story including everything we have learnt—expanded noun phrases, adventurous vocabulary and conjunctions! We continued looking at money in Maths and we can now select, compare and find the total of different amounts.



Year 3

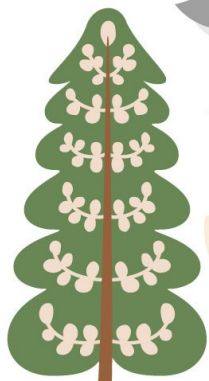
It has been lovely seeing more of the children back in Year 3 this week, we have certainly missed them. We have started our new unit on Multiplication & Division in Maths. Year 3 have delved into looking at equal groups and understanding the meaning of the 'x' sign. We have also focused on multiplying and dividing by 3 and using our arrays to help visualise the questions. In English, we have been writing for lots of different purposes: we wrote instructions on how to play party games; and a diary entry from the perspective of Lou when she was confronted with an escaped leopard! We then wrote a formal letter to the council to persuade them to stop the redevelopment of the dump. In Topic, we have put our scientist hats on and investigated forces. We planned and carried out a friction experiment to see which surface a toy car could go furthest on. We then put on our historians hats and learnt about the Bronze Age and how Celts protected themselves from invaders during the Iron Age.



Year 4

With many of the children drip feeding back into Year 4 from Monday, it has been another interesting week! Let's hope we are over the worst and we can continue to have a fun filled final few weeks of the Autumn Term. Nevertheless, the children have continued to power on through lots of learning! In English this week, they have written a poem, designed a menu, written a recipe and used their creative Super 6 to draw and write about a charm necklace for a goblin. In Maths, we have started a new unit:

Multiplication and Division. This week, we have focused on multiplying and dividing by 10 and 100. The afternoons have been full of DT fun. The children have either: designed their moving book, made a prototype of a moving book or started the final product depending on where they are at. They are fantastic and the children should be very proud of themselves.



Year 5

It has been a strange week here in school with the majority of our children learning from home or feeling unwell! We have still managed to continue our learning however, either in the classroom or remotely. In English, we have focused on planning and writing, using our creativity to imagine ourselves in different situations. Maths has continued to develop our knowledge and understanding of factors and multiples, with a focus on prime numbers. Those in school have been continuing with netball in PE and presentations in Computing. We know everyone is keen to finish our DT project together, so have saved that for the time being so that we can all enjoy it!



Year 6

After a slightly different week last week, it has been nice to welcome back lots of children into the classroom, with the hope that things should slowly start to become to feel normal again. In English this week, both the children at home and at school have been focused on writing 'faction' writing: factual writing with a touch of fiction! The fiction being the creative and inventive monsters that the children have created, considering what unique features they may have. In Maths, we began a new topic: fractions! To begin, we have been looking at equivalent fractions, how to simplify fractions using the highest common factor, and converting between mixed number and improper fractions. Also, this week, we have enjoyed learning more about different aspects of WWII, including the attack on Pearl Harbour; some netball matches and creating Christmas cards for the village. Thank you again for all of your continued efforts this week.

