



Pirbright's Learning Week

Friday 28th May 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 We started our week thinking about insects, learning how to draw and name the main parts of its body. In our myHappyMind session we have listened to a new story Charlie's Rainbow Adventure helping us learn about working together, learning that we can develop and grow using our own strengths and trying our hardest to solve problems. During our Maths sessions we have continued to practice addition using the language First, Then and Now to solve problems involving missing parts of number stories. We have been practicing our number formation 11- 20 using the ten town characters. Reception have all been really keen to meet and learn about our new 'Super Six' characters. This week we met our new friends Curious Cat and Organised Octopus. We have begun to discuss and demonstrate how we can show these skills in our own learning. Reception absolutely loved taking part in the Money Circus and meeting the Year 6 students to play a wide range of number games with them! We wish you all a very happy and relaxing half term break!



Year 1

What a busy week Year 1 have had! This week, our theme was pilots and we learned about famous pilots and why they are significant. In DT, we made paper planes and conducted a science experiment to see which planes would fly the furthest depending on the shape of their wings; we did this by measuring the distance. In English, we wrote instructions on how to make a paper plane using 'time' conjunctions. In maths this week, we have been looking at counting in 10's, 5's and 2's. We have been busy exploring how life has changed over time in terms of flight and made mini books on Amelia Earhart and The Wright Brothers. Why not ask us who they were? We also wrote a piece of writing about what pilots have, who they are and what they can do. In History, we sequenced how aeroplanes have changed over time and in RE, we learned about the importance of churches. In Geography, we plotted Amelia Earhart's first voyage and wrote about where she lived and where she travelled. We continued with our dance routine in PE and drew some lovely pictures of The Wright



Brother's aeroplanes. The Year 1 team wishes everyone a happy and safe half term holiday.



Year 2

We have had a lovely last week here in Year 2. We have carried on our Victorian learning by looking at two very important ladies from the Victorian era— nurses Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole. We discovered who they were, what they did and how they were similar and different to one another. We watched the video 'Something Fishy' in English and wrote some beautiful setting descriptions about the underwater world, a diary entry from the girl's perspective and planned our own stories ready to write when we get back after half term. We continued learning to tell the time in Maths and we managed to tell the time in 5-minute intervals to and past the hour. All of the children had great fun at the Year 6 Money Circus this week. We got to squirt the Year 6s with water guns, put pies in their faces and even win some prizes all for a good cause! We wish you a wonderful half term Year 2—get lots of rest ready for the final half term!



Year 3

Wow Year 3! What a week of exciting learning we have been doing! WE have been looking in Maths at Mass and Capacity and how our knowledge and understanding of both units of measure and working on number lines can really help with this. We have been doing 1 and 2 step challenges around this and the children have been explaining their answers. In English we have been learning to write persuasive letters. Some of the children wrote their letters from scratch while others learned to convert their persuasive speeches into a letter format. Our topic has been getting a little more creative this week too! We have been creating our very own scrap books of natural materials, looking at texture, shape, tone and colour in the style of Andy Goldsworthy. Have a lovely half term rest Year 3!



Year 4

It's been a short and super-busy week to end our half-term! In maths we have been comparing, ordering and rounding decimals, focusing on place value and particularly the value of each column after the decimal point. In English, we have been planning, writing and editing historical stories based in the era of the Tudors. We have been exploring suitable materials to make switches in circuits. Both classes have enjoyed an ICT focus during the last two weeks, 4DS worked on block coding and 4SF on databases and spreadsheets. In art, we have been responding to modern architecture, understanding the importance three key principles: stability, functionality and aesthetics! Our history has moved into the Roman era - the invasion of Britain, their choice of settlement sites.



Year 5

Multi-step word problem solving again this week in Maths, with the emphasis on working out what calculation is actually needed, rather than the answer itself. We now understand the importance of showing our workings! We've also revised short multiplication and division. In English, we've continued with our poetry unit, with Haiku and Kenning poems. Originating in Japan, and drawn from nature, we wrote our own three lined, 5-7-5 syllable-pattered haiku. The word Kenning comes from a Viking phrase which means 'to express something in terms of another thing..' A cat for example, 'Paw licker, mouse chaser, dog hater,' We had great fun at the Year 6's charity Money Circus on Tuesday morning. Some brought money for the stalls, the rest enjoyed watching various 'sixers' getting soaked with water, or face planted with whippy cream. In History, we learnt about the Viking sagas and re-told one in a piece of writing. Our figurehead sculptures had dried sufficiently for us to paint and then evaluate them. There were some clay casualties, but as always we were able to identify how, were we to repeat the task, we would improve. The end of a jam-packed half term of hard work and effort. Well done Year 5.



Year 6

It's been a busy and exciting week for Year 6 this week. Set with the task to create a Maths game for the other children in the school, the children have worked tirelessly to create all of their resources and write a risk assessment to reduce the risk of COVID transmissions. It was lovely to see the children interacting with the rest of the school, encouraging them to join in and not complaining whilst getting soaked by a water gun! They have raised a lot of money which can be put towards ice-creams on the school trip, or their Year 6 fun day. Well done to them all! For the rest of the week, the children have been working on their Maya project, researching who they are and where they are from, as well as their food, games, beliefs and language. We hope that all of the children have a lovely relaxing half term, in preparation for our school trip! Remember, the kit list has been emailed out, so make sure the children have everything they need! We will see you all bright and early on the morning of our trip!

