



Pirbright's Learning Week

Friday 18th September 2020

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



What a wonderful start we have had to our learning journey at Pirbright. We were very proud of how the children have settled in and begun to learn new routines. In our choosing time the children have explored the home corner, marble run, funky finger activities, arts and crafts and lots of physical fun. The children were very excited to visit our castle climbing frame! During our carpet time we listened to the story of 'Pete The Cat- Rocking In My School Shoes'. We joined in with his song and looked closely at the similarities and differences between our own new school shoes. The children enjoyed drawing pictures of themselves and of Pete The Cat. Well done to all the Reception pupils for such a positive start to school.



Year 1

This week in maths, our focus has been numbers to 10 and their representations. In PE this week, we went to the Netball Courts and did lots of running, jumping, throwing and catching. We also did lots of teambuilding activities like getting the hoop round the circle without it falling! In art, we painted/drew some pictures of our family and who we live with, and labelled who was who. We also learnt about Pablo Picasso and used a photo of half our face to paint the other half! We were very impressed with how they turned out! In science, we learned about herbivores, carnivores and omnivores and their different diets. In Geography we looked at some maps and found where about we live. We found where Pirbright School is too! In History, we had a look at how families have changed over time and learned that families used to be much bigger than they are today with lots of children! In DT we made houses using junk modelling and even made some houses in our outdoor construction area which was a lot of fun! Miss Casey and Miss Leppard are very proud of all our hard work this week.



Year 2

What a fantastic start to Year 2! The children have come back after the summer holidays with lots of enthusiasm for a busy term of learning ahead. In English, the children have been on an adventure taking on the role of Max and the Wild Things to act out the story, answer questions, write sentences and think about the characters feelings. In Maths, the children have been demonstrating their excellent understanding of tens and ones, looking into how to represent numbers with concrete resources as well as solving problems. Having jumped straight into our Topic 'Passport to the World', the children have already made their own passport, grown cross world maps, made flap books to represent their place within the world and revisited the continents, oceans and the countries in the UK. What a great first two weeks back!





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Year 3

Welcome back! We are enjoying our new topic, Clubs and Cavemen. This week we have been finding out about the different houses that were built during the Stone Age. We were fascinated to find out how people in the Stone Age made tools, clothes and did not waste anything from the animals that they caught. In English, we have continued our work on The Stone Age Boy and enjoyed writing in role, a recount of how to make fire. We also enjoyed discovering homophones and creating word pictures to show the different meanings of the words that sounded the same. In Maths we focused on understanding what the digits in a 3 digit number mean. Our challenge was to make a 3 digit number in more than one way. For example, we discovered that six hundred and thirty was the same as 63 tens and no ones. We have been thinking about different ways of moving in our outdoor Dance lessons. It has been a very busy week!



Year 4

We have certainly hit the ground running in Year 4, it's hard to believe that we have been back for two weeks already! It has been great to see all of the children returning refreshed, enthused and delighted to be back in school, learning with their friends. Our main topic this term will be 'Mountains, Earthquakes & Volcanoes', starting with an in-depth study of the Alps. Our first lesson set the scene by identifying the countries that make up Europe and describing their relative locations using compass directions. In Maths, we have been reinforcing our understanding of place value, rounding and counting in various multiples.

In English, we began our 'Stories with Issues and Dilemmas' unit by introducing the children to Ruskin Splinter, the main character of the book Krindlekrax.



Year 5

Welcome back to what is an unusual start to the new term. We've hit the ground running this week, and have begun our new topics across the board. We are now working on film narrative. The children have loved 'For the Birds'. We have acted out scenes from this and then written our dialogue using speech punctuation. In Science, we have started our topic on living things and their habitats and finding out what the children would like to know. This will lead onto our learning next week about the life cycle of birds and mammals. Getting artistic, we have been looking at the photo-realism work by Chuck Close and trying to create our own self portraits in his style.



Year 6

What a brilliant start to the year we have had! The children (and staff) had an amazing time on our Fun Day! The children took part in team building activities, orienteering, fire lighting and mosaic art. In Maths this week, we have begun by re-capping the four operations; the children have warmed their brains up with some tricky problem solving! In PE, the children tested their fitness and stamina with a circuit training work out – they really did work hard! Our World War II topic has begun, with researching the main reasons for the start of the war. In Art, the children produced some great wartime propaganda posters, using their own catchy slogans.

6EC had a great afternoon at Forest School!

