

Learning is exciting at Wheatfields Primary!

Reception We have been very busy in Reception this week. In Literacy we have been reading a range of different Elmer stories and discussing the main story events as a class. In Maths the children have been learning about 3D shapes and are starting to notice and name the ones they can see in their everyday environment. In PSED we have been talking about our unique and special qualities during circle time discussions. We also experienced our first assembly all about the Harvest Festival.

Year 1 Who could believe that the children have nearly spent a whole half term in Y1? All the adults in the year group have been amazed with the attitudes of all children towards their learning and their sheer eagerness to know more in all aspects of the lessons they have encountered! Anyway, this week the children have been writing their very own adventure for Traction Man. They have been focusing on creating new settings, villains, dilemmas and resolutions to Mini Grey's infamous story! In Maths the children have been ordering numbers between 1-20 as well as reminding themselves of estimating different values. In Phonics the children had a truly terrifying experience with a caveman called Dave... No one is quite sure how Dave and his cave appeared in Class 3, nevertheless, the children learnt a very valuable lesson from Dave - how to read/spell the split vowel digraph a_e!

Year 2 Year 2 have had a great week exploring connectives within Literacy this week. They have been learning when it is appropriate to use different connectives to excite the reader. Within Maths the children have been learning about right angles and how we find these on different shapes. They then began sorting using both a Carroll diagram and a Venn diagram. The children even got creative during our music lesson when they composed their own musical melodies to paint a picture of different planets in the listeners mind.

Year 3 This week we have been very scientific in Year 3. We began the week by looking at pictures of Stone Age animal skulls and their teeth. We talked about why the animals had different types of teeth. We have learnt about human teeth. The children have really impressed us with their scientific knowledge. The children can name different types of teeth that humans have and can discuss their functions. We have looked at and labelled a cross section of a tooth too. In addition, we have done lots of work on our times tables. Any practise of these at home will be really helpful.

Year 4 This week we have been learning how sound travels in Science. In Maths we found fractions of amounts and our homework was to find equivalent fractions (it was tricky!). We also did a time sheet where we had to tell what time was on a clock. In Literacy we wrote a character description of the witch from the Lost Happy Endings and used similes to describe her. In Games and P.E we did netball and gymnastics.

Year 5 This week in Year 5, we have been identifying the features of a newspaper and practising writing in the past tense. In maths we have practised the written method for addition and subtraction. In Topic we have had an exciting lesson decoding Morse code! Finally in art we have designed our model Anderson shelters.

Year 6 Well, when we look back at our week in Year 6 it's hard to believe how much we have fitted in! It was good to see everyone again on Monday after our different weeks last week and we got started straight away on our Maths / Science / Design and Technology project for the next two weeks. We began by designing a model of a Lost Thing, including an electrical circuit. Once we had learned about how electricity works, we did some Maths work on interpreting line graphs so we could carry out a science investigation using ice cubes and show our results as a graph. Unfortunately, we forgot to ensure we carried out a fair test and so our results were a bit confused. However, this meant we could do some great evaluations! Then we moved on to looking at light and how we see. We used torches and mirrors to play with angles and reflections. See what we mean? Very busy! And plenty more to come next week too!

Music It's been a busy week in the Music Department! Y2 have composed Space Music using lots of different instruments. Y3 have played Saint-Seans on the recorder (the cuckoo from the Carnival of the Animals). Y4 have continued to learn their keyboard skills and about the life and music of Beethoven. Y5 learnt about Glenn Miller and managed to sing a song about him in a round. Y6 started to compose their own 12 Bar Blues song and accompanied themselves on the ukulele. Meanwhile, the Singing Starz are clearly learning their songs at home and have already memorised a huge amount of words. Visit www.youngvoices.co.uk (password YVConcerts2018 in the children's resources section) to access all the lyrics and videos. These seem to have now disappeared from Youtube!