

# Learning is exciting at Wheatfields Primary!

**Reception** This week we have been continuing to learn about the human body and the skeleton. The children have been sharing their knowledge by independently writing sentences about different parts of the body. A number of the children have been very proud to have their work displayed on the 'Writers of the week' board. In Maths we have been adding and subtracting objects and money. We have a shop in the classroom where the pupils can practise finding different items that total 10p. Many thanks to the parents who have taken their time to write about their child's learning development and provided the team with observations made within the home environment.

**Year 1** THE CRAYONS HAVE QUIT! The children of Year 1 were shocked to discover that the crayons have quit and no longer want the children to use them! To discover why this has happened, the children have been practicing the alternative spelling 'or' for the digraph 'ur' and spelling 'al' for the digraph 'ar'. In Literacy the cohort have been writing character descriptions of the Bog Baby as well as setting descriptions of the Blue Bell Wood! Some of the writing has been simply fantastic! In Maths, both classes have been solving addition problems where the children have been finding patterns of numbers. Hopefully, by next week, the crayons will be back at work...

**Year 2** Year 2 have been looking at question and exclamation sentences (starting with what and how) in Literacy this week. In Maths we have been practising our partitioning and number line skills both with adding and subtracting. We enjoyed our visit from Wood Green Animal Shelter linked to our topic of people who help us. We found out about making a lovely home for some mice. The children have enjoyed exploring the outdoor equipment during our PE sessions.

**Year 3** This week in Year 3 we have had a very exciting visitor. On Tuesday we had Boudicca in to visit us and answer our questions. We found out that she really didn't like Romans at all because they treated the Celts so badly. The children then pretended that they were Boudicca and they wrote about what she would want to tell her children about the Romans. In Maths we have continued to work on money. This week we have been adding amounts of money together. We have been using column addition to add the amounts. We have also been continuing to work on myths and legends. We have focussed in particular on the story of Finn MacCool and the Giant's Causeway. We have seen some wonderful descriptive writing along the way.

**Year 4** This week in year 4, we have begun to learn about division in Maths. We have introduced the operation with a particular method that children should be using in their homework this week. This method is an introduction to division and more complex methods will be taught next week. In Literacy, we have been making inferences about the Iron Man's character and exploring how the changing colour of his eyes represent different emotions. Miss Elliot and Miss Howe are very impressed with the detailed recall and exciting drawings of the story tracks from last week.

**Year 5** This week in Year 5 we wrote the instructions for how to make our bread which was fun. In our games (outside) we have been learning how to play rounders including batting and fielding. We found out that we have some very good fielders and also established we had some very good batters too! The best part was that we got to play mini matches. The enjoyment has been overwhelming!! We had the chance to go on the new play equipment which, with the help of P.A.W.S (Parents at Wheatfields School), the school was able to purchase. We are hoping to expand the area in the future. In Maths we have been dividing numbers and testing our knowledge on square numbers. We have been doing mental division and times table strategies. In History we have been looking at the Ancient Egyptians and how they lived and what they wore. It was very interesting to learn all about the Egyptians. Altogether it has been a very enjoyable week!! ☺☺☺☺☺☺) By Robert and Alfie

**Year 6** In Year 6, we have been revising our written methods for dividing as well as fraction, decimal and percentage equivalence. In Literacy, we have been revising tricky punctuation and grammar. On Thursday, as part of our P.E lesson, we were given the chance to explore the new play equipment, which was FANTASTIC! Finally, in art we have been learning how to draw realistic portraits after successfully drawing eyes last week.

**Music** The Song of the Week has been 'Sweet the Scented Air of May'. It is a short and simple song with a medieval feel to it. We have really enjoyed singing it and have sung it extremely well! Y6 have been rocking the school with their Samba skills this week; we have been creating polyrhythms using several different types of Samba drums and other percussion instruments. We have been learning how to start and stop and have started to learn the Samba Reggae pattern. At the same time we are learning geography (where Samba comes from and which countries have influenced the style) and history (the contribution of Portuguese explorers and the Transatlantic Slave Trade).