

# Learning is exciting at Wheatfields Primary!

**Reception** In EYFS this week our learning focus has continued to be based around 'Aliens Love Underpants' this time with a emphasis on the rhyming words in the story. The children have learnt to recognise rhyming words and how to continue a rhyming string. In Maths our learning has been about 'time'. The children have had the opportunity to learn to sequence the days of the week, months of the year and the events in their daily routine. On Wednesday afternoon EYFS had a special visit from the Year 6 pupils to share their learning about 'Space'. The Year 6 pupils helped the children to design their model space rockets. In PE the children were challenged to develop their gymnastic skills as the using the big apparatus for the first time.

**Year 1** This week the children have started to learn a new story in Literacy - "The Owl who was afraid of the Dark." Both classes have read the story and have consolidated their understanding of chronological order by sequencing the story. The cohort have also created a story map to help plan and create their own version of the story which they will be writing at the end of the week. In Maths, we have started to multiply! YES MULTIPLY! The children have been marvelous in the way that they have absorbed the information given to them to solve these types of calculations and have become "jedi" masters in using a peg board to create multiplication arrays! Roll on another fantastic week of learning.

**Year 2** We have been busy this week in year 2. In maths we have been finding half, quarter and thirds of a number and shape. We have made our own fraction wall so we can see how many halves, quarters and thirds make a whole. This will also help us to see the equivalence of  $\frac{2}{4}$  making a whole. In literacy we are continuing to revise and consolidate our letter sounds. We are using our sounds in our writing and trying to make the correct choice in our writing. We have nearly finished collecting all our facts in order to write our non-chronological report on the frozen planet. In topic work we have been thinking about the needs of animals.

**Year 3** This week we have been very busy in year 3. Firstly, the children have needed extra time to finish writing their stories based on the story of Matilda. They are working very hard on them. In maths, we are working on division and have started work on fractions. To help at home, please encourage your child to tell you half of a number. We have started our new topic on Old Testament Bible stories this week. We will be learning about the messages in them and what we can learn from them as well as having fun acting them out.

**Year 4** This week, year 4 have been busy writing dilemmas and resolutions to their Viking stories. We have been trying to include all sorts of exciting literary devices, including fronted adverbials. In maths, we have been revisiting the formal methods for addition and subtraction and will be solving some 2-step word problems by the start of next week. Our Viking dances are coming on well and in Guided Reading we have been learning about Raiding!

**Year 5** This week in literacy we have been learning about stories from different cultures and comparing two stories, 'The catch' and 'Ride of passage'. In maths we are comparing equivalent fractions and learning how to simplify them. We've started a new topic in science called Living things and their Habitats. For the last three weeks in P.E , Year 5 have been taking part in circuit training. In outdoor P.E both classes have been playing basketball . This week has been great fun. I can't imagine what fun we going to have next week. By Kiera D

**Year 6** In Year 6 this week we have been using the laptops to research the planets in the Solar System. We are going to be using this information to write interesting reports! In Maths we are starting to move on from fractions to looking at percentages. On Wednesday we went down to Reception to help the children learn about and build rockets! Class 14 have also started to prepare for their Class Assembly next week!

**Music** Our Y3 children had great fun creating STOMP sequences using junk percussion this week. Some children had really noticed what STOMP do and added foot stomping and swapping instruments to their routine! Y6 have been practising composition skills and chose timbres, tempo and rhythmic patterns to describe Mercury and Venus from the planets.