

Learning is exciting at Wheatfields Primary!

Reception Our first full week back to school has been fun in EYFS! We started the week discussing and writing about our favourite parts of the school trip to Hinchingsbrooke Country Park. The responses included; the coach, bug hunting, pond dipping, climbing up the big hill, the park and lunchtime! We have been exploring our mini beast theme further by making lists of the bugs we found and creating insects out of clay. We are very excited to paint them next week, as they will look even more spectacular! In Maths, we have been recapping our number bonds to 5 and we have introduced the concept of doubles e.g., "double 1 is 2. That is the same as 1+1". Next week, we look forward to introducing our 'Kings and Queens' theme leading up to the Platinum Jubilee. Just a polite reminder that in order for your child to change their reading books every Monday, they must return the books they had the previous week. Please continue to write comments in the reading record, as we are interested to hear about your child's progress at home. Many thanks! We hope you enjoy the long weekend 😊

Year 1 Year 1 have had a super exciting week. We had an amazing time on our first ever school trip. The children were so excited to ride on the coach, have a picnic with their friends and play on park. They also had a fantastic time pond dipping and mini-beast hunting. We found many amazing animals and the children really enjoyed their day. In English this week, we have been look at past and present tense words. In maths, we have been recapping our number bonds to 10. In art we have used to clay to make our own crown jewels and in history we have been find out what makes a king or queen.

Year 2 This week in Year 2 we have been looking at different types of instructions and the importance of their features. We have learnt to read recipes, how to make a cardboard rocket and how to build Ikea furniture (you're welcome!). In Maths, we have been looking at halves and quarters in shapes, length and numbers of objects. In PE, we played our first small-sided hockey game using all the skills we have learnt. In Science, we have planted our own runner beans; we will be making observations over the next few weeks. Next week, we will be looking at writing our own recipe, playing different matches and revising our knowledge of division.

Year 3 This week has been great in year 3. The children have been trying really hard with their learning. Our English and history have been linked this week and we have done lots of writing relating to the Celts. Our drama on the field was fantastic. The children were all busy at work in our settlement when some Celtic invaders from another tribe attacked. It was very exciting! In maths we have been learning about fractions. The children are really good at recognising the need for equal parts and are now recording them using fraction notation. It has been very exciting to start some dance lessons with Miss Charlotte this week. The children loved it (even those who thought they weren't very keen!). Our theme is the Romans. Our dance moves are very strong and dramatic.

Year 4 Science this week had the children very excited. In class, they were asked to predict which Viking weapon would cause the most damage and the deepest wound. Don't worry adults, we didn't use real weapons! There was great discussion surrounding whether it would be the sword, the spear or the axe. Let's see if your child can remember which weapon was the winner. We have been exploring fractions in our Maths lessons posing question such as: If Europe is the whole, is Poland a part of the whole? If England is the whole, what would part of the whole be? This was a fantastic way to help children to understand the concept of part and whole in preparation of our fractions unit. The children played a fantastic game of diamond cricket with both classes taking it in turn to bat and field, they showed great sportsmanship by cheering each other on and offering advice to each other too. Well done Year 4!

Year 5 Blessed with beautiful sunshine at the start of the week, Year 5 were able to take their PE sessions outside for their new topic - rounders! They have thoroughly enjoyed working together and strengthening their teamwork skills. We also continued to learn about forces and how best to understand them. To do so, we put our engineering hats on, and in groups we designed streamlined boats to race. Both classes had some very clever designs and were able to explain how different features had an impact on their boats streamlining. Very well-done Year 5!

Year 6 This week, Year 6 has again been busy with preparing for SATS. In Grammar, we have been looking at passive & active voice, subordinating conjunctions and relative clauses. To prepare for our Reading paper, we have been practicing our comprehension skills through answering questions. Whilst in maths, we have been revising all four calculations, simplifying fractions and adding/subtracting fractions. In our foundation subjects; coding in computing, Ancient Greek timeline in History and how to challenge others and ourselves in PSHE has been the focus of this week. We have thoroughly enjoyed the hockey matches in PE. Great learning attitude Year 6

Music The Word of the Week is 'Drone'. Based on the sound made by bees, a drone is music is a long continuous note. It is often used as an accompaniment instead of chords. Year 6 were simply amazing this week! They picked up their composition work from before Easter as if no time had passed. They created a structure and added other percussion instruments to create the atmosphere of their planet. We will be recording next week! In Year 5 we continued to learn the basic drum strokes on the djembe and practised syncopated rhythms. We learnt a new African song and used our drums and African percussion to create an accompaniment. In Year 4 we listened to 'The Ballet of the Unhatched Chicks' from 'Pictures at an Exhibition' by Mussorgsky and thought about how the composer used musical devices to create the story. We played the main motif on glockenspiels using staccato (short) notes. In Year 3 we continued to learn the recorder and really impressed Mrs Merson by controlling our breath and creating a really pleasant sound. We were also fantastic at counting the beats in different note values. We watched a recording of Mozart's Oboe concerto played by Nicholas Daniel, a world famous oboist who lives in St Neots!

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