

Learning is exciting at Wheatfields Primary!

Reception This week in Maths the children have been mastering and applying their understanding of subtraction by doing lots of calculations. We have learnt that subtraction means to take away and find the difference. In Literacy we have been continuing to write our space facts to go into our non-fiction space book. In Phonics we have started to use our knowledge of the phonemes to segment and blend CVC words as well as real and 'Beegu' words (non-sense words). To finish off our space topic we also did a rocket mouse science investigation with the year 6's. We hope the children have enjoyed learning about space and hope you all have a fabulous half term.

Year 1 This week Y1 have been conducting a very serious investigation... How could we help Plop the Owl land safely? To do this the children tested a number of materials to see which would be most suitable as a "landing pad" for Plop. The investigation was conclusive... Fabric was the safest material Plop could land on without hurting himself! In Literacy the children having been planning and then writing, a letter pretending to be either the Owl or the Pussy cat from the famous nonsense poem 'The Owl and the Pussy cat'. The children have written to the infamous Piggy-Wig to see if they could use his ring in their marriage! In maths the children have been delving into the exciting world of 3d shapes! Can they tell you any 3D shapes and their properties? With another half term passing, all the Y1 team would like everyone to have a good rest over the next week!

Year 2 What a half term it has been! The children have been captivated by our topic book 'The Bear' especially when he leaves a stinky poop on Tilly's carpet. Their writing has showcased their enthusiasm and excitement around the characters and events from the story and have had the staff in stitches. Within Maths this week the children have had lots of fun working with robots to programme directional instructions. They have been exploring the language quarter turn, half turn, three quarter turn, clockwise and anti-clockwise when giving their instructions and have even created their own treasure maps. All in all we have enjoyed an exciting half term and look forward to Spring 2 after their well deserved break. Next half term, please be aware that both PE lessons will now take place on a Monday and we will no longer require kits on a Wednesday afternoon. We will be outside for one of our PE sessions after half term, so can all children please have a change of shoes such as a trainers. If they wish to wear tracksuit trousers and a warmer top they may. Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to seeing you after the half term break.

Year 3 This week in year 3 we have been very busy. We have been writing our own legends in the style of Johnny Gloke. The children have had some fantastic ideas and have included lots of mythical creatures. The children have been using a wide variety of adjectives and adverbs too. In maths we been learning more about fractions. We have been using fraction walls to help us to work out equivalent fractions. We finished our dance lessons with Miss Leyton this week. As it was the final week she filmed our performances for us to watch. We really enjoyed evaluating our own dances and sharing them with the rest of the year group.

Year 4 This week, year 4 have been busying themselves conjuring ideas for their Viking stories. We have written a section every day this week and will be editing our finalised narrative ready to read to Year 3 after half term. In maths, we have investigated symmetry of polygons using isometric paper. We have performed our final Viking dances to each other and have truly mastered our moves! We hope that everybody has a restful half term and look forward to seeing homework projects and hearing some interesting speeches when we return.

Year 5 Half term already, it seems like yesterday when we started 'The Great Kapok Tree', a fascinating tale about deforestation and the amazing animals of the rainforest. Year 5 have produced some amazing stories of their own and both Miss Vickers and I feel very proud of the hard work the children have put it. Well done Year 5! This week, we have been learning the skills of persuasive letter writing and wrote letters to the logging companies who are chopping down the rainforests. Hopefully, our persuading will make them think. Next term, we will be continuing our wonderful and colourful topic 'Rainforest' and will be exploring the debate and discussion genre in Literacy. In Maths, we will be focussing our learning on; using written method (grid) to multiply, using short division to divide 3-digit numbers, finding unit fractions and non-unit fractions of 3-digit numbers, using short multiplication to multiply 3-digit numbers by 1-digit numbers and finding the properties of polygons. Science will involve the weird and wonderful world of MICRO-ORGANISMS and we will be carrying out experiments around the yucky, mucky moulds to assist the medicine companies to cure diseases. Finally, stay safe during half term Year 5 and have a relaxing half term!

Year 6 This week in Year 6 we have been busy doing some writing based on our text The Watertower. We have focused on creating an atmosphere and character development. Class 13 enjoyed preparing their class assembly and we all enjoyed watching it! In Topic, we have been writing about a newly discovered planet located between Neptune and Uranus. Using existing data about planets, we made predictions about our new discovery. Early Years are also learning about Space so we went down to help them learn and build - it was very interesting!

Music Congratulations to all the Year 3 pupils who have already visited the Charanga Music website. Some children have already logged in several times and have started earning coins! This week, Y4 will be bringing home letters with their username and password and will have access to the site. We enjoyed singing 'The Pancake Song' in singing assembly this morning!