

Learning is exciting at Wheatfields Primary!

Reception Our week began with lots of fun when we came into school dressed as our favourite Numberblock. Our day was spent exploring different number activities. We went into the playground and drew the Numberblocks with chalk. This week we have been busy in our phonics sessions learning high frequency and tricky troll words. We have been sounding out our words and then blending the sounds together. Writing the words has been lots of fun. It has been tricky to get into the forest this week due to our Numberblock day and the flu vaccines. We will be back having fun next week.

Year 1 & Year 2 Key Stage 1 have really enjoyed maths week. We looked at geometry and made shape snowman, completed winter tangrams and a repeating pattern on Christmas jumpers. In English, we have written a letter to Tilly we thought about using all the writing skills we have learnt so far. We tried to include questions, exclamations, adjectives and verbs. In science, we looked at how animals and plants work together in their habitats and how they depend on each other. In PE we carried on our netball skills and practising our dances ready for our production. In RE we sequenced the nativity story and in PSHE finished our anti-bullying unit. We really enjoyed our first stay and read session and are looking forward to the next one.

Year 3 This week, the children have thoroughly enjoyed Maths week. It has been so much fun learning about right angles and where to find them in our names and in different 2D shapes. We have also talked about perpendicular and parallel lines as this helped us to identify right angles. In English the children have been looking at conjunctions such as FANBOYS (for, and, nor, but, or, yet and so) to help improve their sentences ready for their non-chronological report. We have also been looking at the different types of sentences that we can use and what ones will be best to go into a report later in the term. The children have also had a great time sinking each other battleships in Geography this week, helping them to embed the skills of coordinate reading. R.E. was exciting for the children as we are starting to talk about the build up to Christmas and how Christians celebrate Christingle. Overall a fantastic week of learning from the children, always full of energy and great ideas.

Year 4 The focus of Maths Week has been geometry and in Year 4 have been looking at the properties of regular polygons, angles and perimeter. Whilst in English we have been finishing our diary entries as Jub and sharing our experiences on the fateful night when the witch stole the happy endings from all the children. Science was great fun this week as we made string telephones to see if sound travelled along the string so we could hear our partners talking to us from a distance. We also investigated what happens when there is a knot in the string, if you hold the string between your fingers or add extra lines. Last week in art, we painted the evening sky in preparation to add shadowy silhouettes of trees and the twinkling stars inspired by the setting from the Lost Happy Endings. Our highlight of the week was our first session practising for the Christmas Concert! Some of us will be 'Rocking Reindeer Dancers' and the rest of the year group will be taking part in a sketch with Father Christmas.

Year 5 This week in English we have been learning about different types of poetry including, Haiku, Limericks, Shape poems, Couplets, Acrostic and many more. We have been identifying the features and sharing poetry. We have also been watching authors performing poetry and we have been reviewing the performances. It has been Maths Week, this week and we have been continuing geometry work on angles and properties of shapes. We worked in groups to make large irregular or regular Polygons using art straws, string, lolly sticks and pens. We worked on large pieces of sugar paper. When we had completed our group work, we drew the shape again on a smaller scale onto squared paper and cut it out. Then we worked as a class to create a class Tangram using all our pieces put together and arranged carefully. It was lots of fun. In topic this week, we have been learning about the Egyptian Afterlife and Mummification. We learned about The Book of the Dead, the Opening of the Mouth Ceremony and The Feather of Truth Ceremony. We found out all about how they mummified the bodies, ready for the Afterlife. Then we had to sequence Mummification in the correct order in our books.

Year 6 This week in Year 6, we have continued to read 'A Christmas Carol' and use our inference skills to understand the various different emotions that Scrooge is going through with the Ghosts. FACT - Did you know 'A Christmas Carol' was first published on December 19, 1843, with the first edition sold out by Christmas Eve. Even today in 21st century, Year 6 are finding this book fascinating and an enriching experience when reading it. In maths, we have been consolidating our learning of equivalent fractions when looking at non-unit fractions. Also, learning how to simplify fractions. In History, we have been finishing our fact file on Queen Victoria, compare the homes of rich and poor during Victorian times and learning about primary and secondary sources. We have also been practising our Christmas songs with Mrs Merson, can't wait for Christmas now 

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Music The Word of the Week is Phrasing which is how we group notes to create a sequence. We often have a question phrase and an answer phrase. We have been learning our Christmas songs and have been concentrating on memorising words and creating a mood to convey the meaning of our words. All children in KS2 have their logins for the Charanga music site and so many children have already composed some amazing pieces using the Yustudio and other apps. KS1 will be receiving their logins shortly!