

# Learning is exciting at Wheatfields Primary!

**Reception** This week in EYFS we have been continuing our work on the book, 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'. The children have been re-writing the story in their own words and sequencing the images from the story. In Art we have been creating butterfly sun catchers and little caterpillars using egg boxes. In Maths the children are learning to double different objects including the food from, 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'. The children have also had a chance to learn about the butterfly lifecycle and sequence this in their work. Next week we will start our new topic on the 'Human Body' and begin this with reading the story 'Funny Bones.'

**Year 1** This week in Year 1 we have continued our adventures with the Bog Baby! Both classes have delved into the world of description with the children using adjectives to describe the Bog Baby in all his glory! The children have also made their own Bog Baby to help them when they write their stories based upon the Bog Baby story. In Maths the cohort have been consolidating their understanding of number. They have been subtracting/adding, recognizing symbols in different calculations, solving missing number problems and dabbling with word problems! In Science this week the children categorized different living objects found on the school field as well as planting their own seeds/bulbs! Roll on next week!

**Year 2** This week the children have been testing materials in Science to find the most useful waterproof materials. They have also been using their Maths skills to record their data into tables. Within Literacy we have begun exploring instructions and how we can use bossy verbs as well as command sentences to give specific instructions to the reader. Alongside all of this learning the children have been continuing their enjoyment in PE with our cricket coach. They began batting this week in teams, thinking about their accuracy, position and aim. I was really impressed with their focus and support of one another and I know the whole team can't wait to carry on next week.

**Year 3** This week in year 3 has been very exciting. We want to say a big thank you to all of the parents who came in for our Curiosity Café. It was lovely to see so many parents in to see what we get up to in our Guided reading lessons. In our Literacy and Science lessons this week we have continued with our work on rocks and soils. We were very excited to find out about the fossils that Mr Dove had found on the school field. We had a great time looking at them. We also learnt about Mary Anning. She lived a long time ago and found lots of fossils. We pretended that we had found a fossil and wrote a diary entry of the day it happened. In Maths we have been multiplying and dividing. We have learnt about how to use the grid method. This means that we can multiply much bigger numbers. The children are getting on very well with this but many of them need to continue to practise their times tables. We would appreciate it if you could continue to do this at home.

**Year 4** This week, Year 4 have been revising various methods for solving multiplication and division problems. We have continued to read 'The Iron Man' and have been making inferences about his emotions based on the colour of his eyes. In Science, we were set a challenge to create a marble run. The winning team had to create a run that took the marble the GREATEST amount of time to reach the bottom and so we had to use our knowledge of friction and the different surfaces that can be used. Year 4 would like to thank parents and guardians who were able to attend our Curiosity Café and share our guided reading experiences with us. We hope you had a wonderful time learning about how we unpick a text.

**Year 5** Year 5 had another fantastic week of learning all about amazing Egyptians. We have been creating Timeline of Howard Carter - describing the dates/events of his life, writing diary entries of the time when he found Pharaoh Tutankhamen's tomb with all its treasures and presenting all of this information using the technology. We created fantastic PowerPoints using Microsoft Office, it was great to save, create, type and insert different information, pictures and emoticons. Following that, we discovered Shapes like a square based pyramid, triangular prism and cube. We made the 3D shapes using their nets, it was great as we could see all the faces, vertices and edges of these shapes. In addition, our Science topic of Forces is so much fun with Isaac Newton and his theory on Gravity. Gravity or no Gravity, football or apple, both fall on the ground! Science is Super Cool!

**Year 6** This week has been yet another busy one in year 6 - we know we say that every week but it does seem to be getting more hectic... We can't think why!! We have started our revision programme in Maths and this week have been focusing on all aspects of shape, including area, perimeter and volume, angles, coordinates and different ways of finding the average. Yes - all in one week! We are also still enjoying our work on the picture book 'The Day the Crayons Quit' and have been practicing writing our own letters in role as Duncan, the boy who owns the crayons. Some of our responses were highly hilarious! In Science, we have been thinking about the various stages of the water cycle and remembering all the technical terms that go with it! Have a rest over the weekend - we'll be back into it all on Monday!

**Music** We have had our first Singing Starz, Wednesday Boys and Biscuit Band sessions this week and our musicians are in fine voice and making great progress on their instruments! Y6 managed to master the groove of Samba Reggae using 8 different instruments and several different rhythms. They are already recognising the signals to indicate start and stop!