

Learning is exciting at Wheatfields Primary!

Reception We have had a really fun week of learning this week! On Tuesday, we had our Numberblock day and we were so blown away by the efforts with the costumes! We made our own human number lines and spent the day making our own Numberblocks out of cubes, craft resources and other media. We have been focusing on writing our name with correct formation and learnt the new sounds g and o. We will be sending new phonics cards home to practise with too. Next week we will be reading the story 'owl babies' and thinking about number bonds to 5.

Year 1 We have had a fantastic week in Year 1. Numberblocks Day was a great success! We had a Numberblocks parade to show off our amazing outfits and then we created our very own human number lines. Thank you for all your efforts with the costumes! We used the $>$, $<$ and $=$ to compare the Numberblocks throughout the day. Next week we will be introducing the part, part whole model in Maths. After finding out lots of information from the Raptor Foundation visit last week, we are going to create a Fact File all about owls next week. This will include a heading, subheading, facts, a picture and a caption. In Science, we have been learning about the 5 senses (touch, taste, hearing, smell and sight). We used all of our senses to complete a scavenger hunt this week. Next week we will be carrying out a smell experiment! In computing, we have been looking at the importance of staying safe online.

Year 2 Happy Maths Week everyone! Year 2 have had a 'pentagon' of a time learning about 2D shapes! The children have been using brilliant mathematical vocabulary to describe shapes including regular, irregular and vertices (it's the posh name for corners!). The children this week have helped the teachers put on their coats and make jam sandwiches – they have concluded that instructions need to be very clear or they won't get the desired outcome! We also had a visit from the Numberblocks this week as the adults dressed up to celebrate Numberblock day with Year 1 and EYFS. We are not sure if we can match next week on excitement levels but we aim to keep the children engaged with what we are doing!

Year 3 Year 3 has been so much fun this week. We have continued with our learning about non-chronological reports in English. We have been learning about using sub-headings and have also been using a range of conjunctions to extend our sentences. Our maths has been great. We have been doing lots of measuring. We have been developing our understanding of units of measure. We have been using millimetres, centimetres and metres. We have also started to convert them. In our topic we have been learning about the digestive system. We started the week by learning about food groups and what we mean by the term healthy diet. We have now started to learn about what happens to food when we eat. We are carrying on with this next week.

Year 4 Year 4 have been exploring data handling in maths and science this week as part of maths week. We have used a sound meter to measure the volume in different locations around the school. The children then recorded this data on a graph. This was the first time many of the children had drawn a graph and we were very impressed with their focus and effort. The focus of English has been on looking at language features in the text, collecting evidence about the characters in the story and discussing the effects created by the illustrations. We have been very excited, as we have started to learn our new dances in PE with Miss Charlotte!

Year 5 This week, Year 5 has been heavily Egyptian themed ☺ ☺ ☺ We started the week off by taking on the challenge of writing a set of instruction for trainee Egyptian priests on how to mummify a body. Following that we had a two day Egyptian Day! We were tasked with preparing for the funeral of our king Tutankhamun. Hieroglyphics were written, shabti dolls, Egyptian fans and cartouches were made and a peg was mummified. An impressive start was made to our Christmas performance practise and we are all very excited to share it at Christmas. Through the week, we have had a number of visitors observing us so the children have had the chance to show off their hard work and exemplary behaviour. Well done everyone!

Year 6 **This week, in English**, we read parts of the book 'Street Child', gathered words and wrote paragraphs to retell the story as a narrative. We learnt how to spell words ending in **-able** when the root word ends with **-e**. **This week in Maths** we added and subtracted fractions, including with mixed numbers and different denominators. As part of our Maths Week activities, we also looked at maths used within Victorian times! **In our Topic**, we learnt about the differences between rich and poor Victorian homes. We also learnt about art in the Victorian era. **Next week, in English** We will be imaginative, creative writers. We will create, plan, write and edit what might be the next part of the story, Street Child. We will be learning to spell words ending in **-ably**. Please remind your child to go onto Readwriter regularly. **In Maths** we will be continuing to work on fractions. To be confident in this learning, the children need to know and understand their times table facts so logging into TT Rockstars is a must! **In Topic** we will be learning about Victorian working children. We will also be designing our own wallpaper inspired by William Morris.

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Music The Word of the Week is 'Melody' which is a sequence of notes which make a musical sentence. Use your pitch hands at home to follow the melody shapes of your favourite songs. Are they moving by step or leap? Can you spot any repeated notes? We are all working well to learn our songs for Christmas. The songs will be added to Google classroom for practice at home. They are also available on Charanga in the Assignments tab. If you need your Charanga password, please email music@wheatfields.cambs.sch.uk