

Learning is exciting at Wheatfields Primary!

Reception Ash and Beech class have enjoyed learning new sounds this week. We had fun finding j in the jelly which made our classroom smell of strawberries. They also challenged themselves to find v, v, vroom all around the classroom. With a partner, they had to find the hidden v's and vroom. In our maths, we have been subitising to 4. The children have challenged themselves to find items and say how many altogether. We also reminded ourselves about 'more than' and 'fewer than'. In our Forest Fun we have wrapped ourselves up in our outdoor clothes. There is lots of fun to be had in the puddles and the forest area when it is wet. We have splashed in the puddles and made amazing things. The area looks different when it is foggy and the autumn leaves are still falling around us.

Year 1 & Year 2 Key Stage 1 have been working really hard this week. In maths, Year 1 have been taking away by crossing out and adding on a number line. Year 2 have been adding 2-digit numbers together by drawing the tens and ones they have also been trying to find $\frac{3}{4}$ of a numbers. In English, we have written question and exclamation sentences, we also recap our work on adjectives. Year 2's have learnt how to use a comma in a list so they can use 3 adjectives in a sentence. In science, we looked at the difference between the Arctic and Antarctica and the different animals who live there. In Art, we created piece of work linked to anti-bullying week to show what to do to help somebody. In RE we have started looking at the nativity story.

Year 3 Year 3 have been enjoying doing lots of measuring this week. We have been converting centimetres and metres. After that, we have also converted centimetres and millimetres. The children have really confident with this. They have also started estimating lengths. They checked their accuracy afterwards by measuring the objects. In our English lessons, we have continued to focus on non-chronological reports. We can recognise and discuss the features. We have read some strange reports including one about unusual things that people have eaten. Did you know that there is a man who has eaten lots of metal? He has eaten a shopping trolley, coins and even an aeroplane – although it took him two years to do it! As well as this, we have spent lots of time this week focussing on Anti-bullying week. We have talked about what bullying is and what we should do to stop it. The children have talked about how important it is to avoid being a by-stander. Our theme has been Reach Out. We have thought about the qualities we need in order for other people to reach out to us and whom we would reach out to. The children have produced some fantastic posters to show this.

Year 4 This week the children in Year 4 demonstrated their acting skills as they worked in small groups to perform the key moments from the story of the Lost Happy Endings. In addition, they identified the features of a first-person diary recount and collected amazing vocabulary (verbs, fronted adverbials and noun phrases) in order to improve their own writing. In maths, the children solved addition and subtraction problems and continued to practise their multiplication tables. They have also been thinking about how to 'reach out' to support others as part of the school's Anti-Bullying week and have made posters and thought about different scenarios and what they could do to help.

Year 5 This week in English, we have continued with our new book, 'Clockwork' by Phillip Pullman and we have been sequencing the story so far. We have also been answering questions by retrieving the answers from the text. We have just read part 2 of the book and we are excited to read the final part. In Maths, we have been sharing our previous knowledge about unit fractions and non-unit fractions and representing what we know in different ways, including folded paper shapes, number lines, building towers and drawing objects. We have also been making equivalent fraction walls. This week is Anti-Bullying Week and we have been identifying what bullying is by watching videos and discussing what we should do about bullying. We have been continuing our Ancient Egyptian topic and learning about the importance of the Afterlife to the Ancient Egyptians. As well as this, we have been learning about Mummification and we have written instructions in our English books.

Year 6 This week, Year 6 have been working hard on their persuasive letter writing using persuasive writing skills. This letter was from a character called Fred to his Uncle Scrooge, inviting Scrooge to his Christmas party. Both characters are from 'The Christmas Carol' text. It is a very high quality text and provides great opportunities for children to explore how authors use language to build tension and create atmosphere. In maths, we have been identifying 'Equivalent Fractions'. Children have been investigating vertical and horizontal relationships between numerator and denominator and making links with multiplication and division facts. We celebrated 'Anti-Bullying Week' by creating a poster and discussing what is bullying and how to stop bullying. We are feeling very Christmassy now that Mrs Merson has taught the Christmas songs for the Christmas performance. Ho! Ho! Ho!

Music The word of the week is 'Harmony' which is 2 or more parts played at the same time which generally sound pleasing! We watched the music bitesize video to help with our understanding. We are all busy learning our song words and thinking about our singing checklist; diction, posture and expression. The words and music are all on our music site, Charanga, and the KS2 children have been given their login details to stick in their reading records. So many children have already visited the site and have saved some fantastic work using the YuStudio app.

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