

Learning is exciting at Wheatfields Primary!

Reception The children this week began exploring our new topic of dinosaurs. They have been writing lots of questions about dinosaurs and how they became extinct to plan ahead what they would like to learn as part of our topic. Alongside asking questions the children have also been labeling different body parts of a dinosaur and comparing the differences in how they look. Why not have a look together at home and see if you have a favourite they can share in class. In addition to getting excited about dinosaurs the children have also been busy gardening as part of their forest school sessions. They have explored what plants need to grow, how they eat food as well as the difference between the plants and weeds that can grow in our environment. The children also began plotting what they wanted to do with their plants once they blossom such as our strawberries; ideas included strawberry jam, strawberry ice cream and even mint ice cream!

Year 1 This week in Year 1 we have been planning our new story that used Bog Baby as a support. We have also been using these plans to help us write our new stories! The children in Maths this week have been looking at ordering their daily schedules using the mathematical language first, next and then. They have also been learning the days and months of the year to help them sequence their week. In science we have been looking at the 'Bean Cycle' which has helped us set up our own investigation, which is to find out what a plant needs to grow. In phonics this week, we have been recapping our Phase 5 sounds and blending real and alien words.

Year 2 This week in Year 2, we have been problem solvers in maths! We have had to use our detective skills to identify the key information in a question and then work out the calculation. We have found that techniques such as drawing out the problem or imagining it happening in our heads can really help us to understand what we need to do. Are there any real-life maths problems that could be solved at home? In English we have started to plan our own version of 'Jim in the Beanstalk', being creative with our character climbing up different types of plants and bringing different gifts to the grumpy giant. Fee, fi, fo fum...!

Year 3 Wow! What a week for year 3! And we're not just talking about the weather, although it's been great getting out onto the field for playtimes and lesson times too. We're continuing to enjoy our new study book 'Escape from Pompeii' ready to write our own stories soon. It's great to be dealing with some larger numbers in our arithmetic and choosing which method to solve our problems. Sometimes we just know the answers, sometimes we have to think it through and on other occasions we have to choose the most appropriate written method. In history, the Romans are advancing across Europe and are making their way towards Britain. If you want to know more about the Romans in our area, take a trip to our local Norris museum in St Ives. There's lots to see and the experts there are always willing to tell you more.

Year 4 Year 4 have had a busy week looking at, and creating similes about the Iron Man and Space-Bat-Angel-Dragon. We have looked at if these characters are monsters and have been using the text to hunt for evidence to prove our point. In maths we have been multiplying and dividing by 10 and 100, we moved on to multiplying three 1 digit numbers. We had great fun building out slow marble runs, the children had some fantastic ideas about how to use friction to slow the marble down.

Year 5 This week in year 5 we have been busy filling our brains full of facts about mummification! We have written an explanation text about the process and have been using cause and effect conjunctions! We have also gotten our teeth stuck into consolidating our knowledge of decimals. Year 5 have also been finishing our Science Energy Challenge posters to gain a better understanding of our investigation. Next week we are looking forward to a week of Science, Art and Topic!

Year 6 Up and down the country students and staff will have breathed a sigh of relief that the SATs are over! We could not be more proud of our students who demonstrated true grit and stamina in their attitude throughout the week. Individual growth and maturity shone through and we can see that they are ready for the next stage of their learning journey at Secondary school. Huge thanks to all our colleagues, who encouraged us and provided much needed treats.

Music Year 6 have proved themselves to be real naturals at Samba drumming and have already managed to play a sequence with introduction, groove and 2 breaks. We just need to add an ending and the sequence will be complete! Year 5 continued their Rock music unit by appraising Rockin' All Over The World. They are getting very good at describing the features of rock music and have been improvising using the notes they know on the recorder. Year 4 learnt about the promenade music which links all the movements in 'Pictures at an Exhibition' and had a go at playing it on the glockenspiels. In Year 3 we managed to play our recorder tune a little faster and thought carefully about producing a lovely tone using breath control. We also learnt about Mozart's bassoon concerto.

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