



Weekly Learning Update 20 May 2022

Nursery

It's been another fantastic week in Nursery. We looked at the story of 'The Crunching Munching Caterpillar' and the children were very excited to learn about another lifecycle. They have really amazed us with their enthusiasm in creating the butterfly lifecycle. We have also created family portraits for our wall. We can't believe how detailed their drawings have become! Well done, Nursery!

Reception (King Class and Parks Class)

This week, we learnt about the structure of a story and we have loved writing our own stories. In Numeracy, we explored composition of numbers to 10. In Music, the children continued to compose their own stories, which will have a musical accompaniment to enhance the retelling. In RE, we explored different special places within two world religions and thought about their similarities and differences. The children have worked so hard and it has been another wonderful week!



Year 1 (Bell Class)

We have had another brilliant week in Bell Class. This week in English, we have started our new book 'Julian is a Mermaid' which has inspired us to create our own poem about mermaids which we will complete next week.

In Maths, we have focused on money. The children have learnt to recognise British coins and notes and were able to count various amounts of money.

In History this week, the children have learnt about the history of lighthouses and found out more about Grace Darling and her famous lighthouse rescue! Well done Bell Class for working so hard, we are very proud of you!

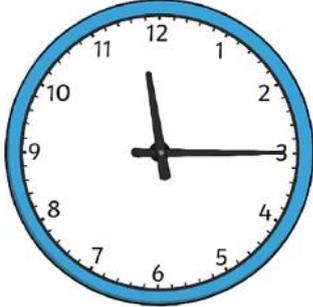
Please remember on Tuesday we are having our Beach Day!



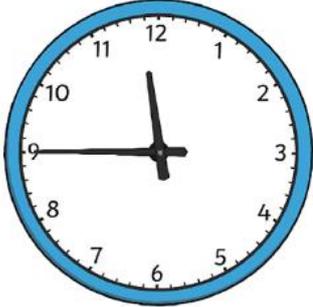
Year 2 (Braille Class)

We've had another excellent week in Braille Class. This week, the children have been completing their maths arithmetic and reasoning Key Stage 1 tests in the morning. They have worked super hard and I am so proud of all of them. In maths this week, we also learnt the time to quarter past and quarter to the hour.

Telling the Time



When the minute hand points to the number 3, it is a **quarter past** time.
This clock shows quarter past 11.



When the minute hand points to the number 9, it is a **quarter to** time.
This clock shows quarter to 12.

In art, the children have started re-creating a famous painting by Claude Monet using watercolours.

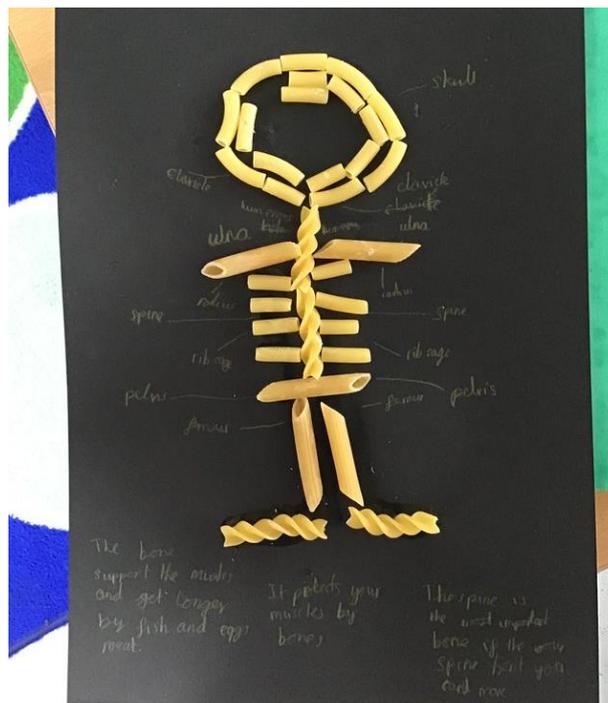


In History, we started learning about Florence Nightingale and why she is so important. *If the children would like to, they can watch this video to remind themselves about what we have learnt about her.*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jONlz7vaMnU&t=20s>

Year 3 (Berners-Lee Class)

In Year 3, we have had a very exciting week linked to our topic 'Under our Feet'. On Monday, we learnt about earthquakes and completed 'earthquake drills' where the pupils had to seek cover underneath the tables. On Tuesday, they painted their volcanoes and in English we have been writing a newspaper report about the eruption of Mount Vesuvius. In science, we have also learnt about skeletons and the pupils have learnt the names of the bones and the purpose of a skeleton. We then created an informative poster about skeletons using different types of pasta to show the bones! Well done for a super week Berners-Lee!



Year 4 (Hopper Class)

In Hopper Class, our Maths lessons have looked at money. We have developed our adding, subtracting and giving change methods. In English, we have been able to virtually tour the tomb of Tutankhamun and use compound adjectives to describe the wonders we saw! We have also developed our understanding of the Pentecost in R.E. by looking at the different representations of the Holy Spirit. During our D.T. lessons, we started creating our Ancient Egyptian death masks and will finish those in our next lesson. Our history lesson delved into the importance of religion to Ancient Egyptian civilisation and we compared that to other time periods as well as our own. Great effort this week Hopper class, have a lovely weekend!



Year 5 (Jackson Class)

This week, Jackson class have got stuck into writing their very own legend story based on Beowulf. They've shown great creativity and it's been brilliant to support them in bringing their imagination to life. We have continued using decimals to calculate in Maths and finished our topic by looking at multiplying and dividing by 10, 100 and 1,000 across the decimal point. In PSHE, we looked at the responsibilities people had when playing online games in order for both themselves and others to stay safe. The children designed a game controller showing these important messages. Another fantastic week in Year 5, well done!



Year 6 (Gutenberg Class)

This week, Year 6 have continued to hone the writing craft of provoking emotion within a reader through replicating the writing style of David Almond, author of Skellig. The class have studied lyricism and how they can utilise its elements to connect a reader to their story. In Mathematics, the class have been focussing on associativity and distribution property, becoming more flexible in their manipulation of number, as well as proving and disproving mathematical conjecture. In Science, the class studied light completing investigations to discern how light travels as well as how and why shadows may be more defined. In R.E. we analysed Jewish beliefs about the almighty.



Other News

Eco-School

Last week in Eco-school we planted a Hornbeam tree in honour of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. We have also been checking on our 30 trees we planted earlier in the year and our compost which we have created from our fruit waste.



The school football team continued its winning streak with a 6-0 victory last Friday! During whole school worship, children have been learning about the value of friendship.



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