This week in the classrooms

RECEPTION

What a fun week we have had! Our theme in Reception this week is 'Pirates', and both the boys and teachers had a great time. We read stories about pirates and talked about what we already know about them. Each of the boys wrote a message to put in a bottle using their excellent Phonics knowledge. In Maths, we learnt about coins, as pirates like coins for their treasure! We looked at all the different coins up to the value of £2. The boys enjoyed creating pirate hats different craft materials, which they then used in their imaginative play. Outside we had so much fun building pirate ships and walking the plank! We cannot wait until next week to learn more about pirates. In Phonics, we began Level 4 and learnt the new tricky words 'so' and 'said'.

YEAR 1

Year 1 learned about various London landmarks this week and enjoyed writing short fact files about them. In Humanities, we made simple comparisons, using the words 'similar' and 'different' to compare our own homes to a castle. Our Maths topic over the past few weeks has been measurement and the boys have really enjoyed all of our practical lessons including finding the capacity of various containers and using scales to measure the weight of objects. Our Phonics sounds this week were the alternative sounds ea for bread and ie for shield. The highlight of our week was most definitely our combined Life Skills and D&T session where we made and enjoyed guacamole and crudites, making sure to wash our hands and hold our knives correctly and discussing healthy food options.

YEAR 2

In Year 2, the boys have been busy exploring various fun and interesting topics. In English, they created shape poems, delving into the use of similes and alliteration to make their writing more creative and expressive. In Maths, they studied 3D shapes and even had the opportunity to make their very own 3D cubes. Meanwhile, in Science, the class learned about the life cycle, focusing on the fascinating stages of a butterfly and a frog. It's been a productive and exciting time for Year 2!

YEAR 3

The boys have worked really hard on their writing assessment this week, planning, writing and editing their own diary entries based on the book 'Into the Forest'. We have been impressed by their efforts and it is great to see the progress being made in their writing. In Geography, we looked at the United States of America and used an atlas to name the states. The boys really enjoyed learning about reflection in Science, using a mirror to read and answer questions.

YEAR 4

Year 4 spent time this week working on an explanation text. This time, they worked independently on a piece about themselves, drawing and writing about themselves, their ambitions in life and how they spend their free time. We look forward to seeing the outcome of their work. In Maths, they are completing our topic on perimeter and area and learning how to apply it to every day life.

YEAR 5

This week in Year 5, the boys worked hard on their assessed writing piece, creating a sequel to The Explorer. In Maths, they focused on investigations, exploring various concepts through hands-on activities. In Science, they conducted an experiment on reversible and irreversible changes. For Humanities, they compared the Viking justice system to the current UK system.

YEAR 6

This week in Maths, we explored co-ordinates, reflection, symmetry, and 3D shapes, as well as completing more practice assessment papers. In English, the boys showcased their creativity by writing short stories that incorporated dialogue. In Science, we conducted an exciting experiment with yeast to determine whether it is alive. A fantastic week of learning and discovery!