



Year 5 Class Newsletter

It is unbelievable that we have made it to the end of our first term in Year 5. There have been many exciting learning opportunities, so please keep reading to find out more!

Miss Pickering was very excited to teach DT this term, as our topics were both sewing and cooking. During our sewing topic, we created our own stuffed toys- learning how to sew and applique ourselves. It was lovely to see some of the children, who had some prior sewing knowledge, helping others/ They looked fab! During our cooking lessons, we had great fun learning about where our food comes from and why some foods are considered healthy and others not. We have recently made our Bolognese sauce which was delicious!



This term Year 5 have studied historical invaders this term, with particular focus on the Anglo-Saxons and the Vikings. We learnt about where they came from, what their punishments systems were like, famous rulers, and whether we can always trust what the history books tell us about them.

We had a great day on Children in Need making, baking, decorating, and selling our biscuits. They looked great and were so hard to resist.



Glenmere and sports are a match made in heaven and we have had some fantastic sports in year 5. There are so many brilliant sports [people in our class, and we got to celebrate their achievements in basketball, swimming, tennis and running to name a few.



Our Personal growth topics this term have been Human Rights and The Value of Money. During our human rights lessons, children have learnt all about what rights are and how they have their own special set of rights known as The UN Rights of the Child. We explored scenarios where these rights have not been upheld and what we can do to support others who have been in these situations and how to stop this. Our second topic has been very relevant, and the children have been very mature learning all about the importance of budgeting, especially given the current economic state.



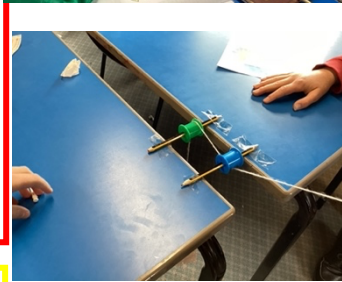
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Year 5 had a great trip to the Pantomime at Loughborough Town Hall (of yes, we did!). We saw Sleeping Beauty and we are still remembering the actors, setting and songs. It was a great Christmas treat!



In Science, year 5 has been investigating forces using many practical experiments. They explored all the different forces including friction, gravity, air and water resistance. We have also learnt all about space and the solar system which everyone has thoroughly enjoyed learning about and linking their Romana and Greek God knowledge from year 4!

In PSHE, we have been learning all about families and relationships. We have had some mature themes crop up in lessons like family dynamics, marriage, difficult friendships, and stereotypes. All children have had great discussions in our lessons where they have all participated.



Our RE lessons this term have involve us learning what it means to be a Muslim in Britain today, learning what is important in their religion and what traditions they follow. We thought about times when our own lives may show crossovers with some traditions. Our second topic has consisted of us learning all about Salvation and Why Jesus died for Christians, concluding what that means. We have explored the difference between sacrifice and murder and what martyrs are. Again, we have found crossovers in our personal lives where we have had to sacrifice things.



In IT, year 5 have been learning all about systems and why we use systems. We have found day-to-day systems and compared these to large commercial systems, then created our own classroom system, like an index in a book! We have learnt the importance of them when searching the World Wide Web, whilst designing a website, considering all things that could mean it comes at the top of the search engine!

Year 5 learnt the vital life skill this term of First Aid! We had a real-life paramedic come in and teach us all sorts from the recovery position, CPR and bandaging all sorts of gruesome wounds!



It is fair to say that there is probably not one single student in year 5 who does not enjoy music, so we had great fun learning about the genres of classic rock and jazz music. Some children have also taken part in rocksteady and were able to have their first performance at the end of term!