



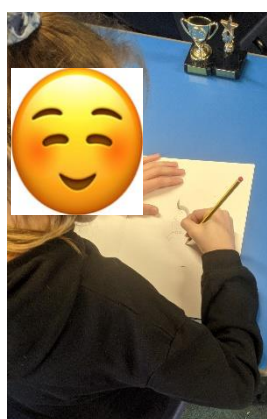
Year 6 Easter Class Newsletter!

Despite all of the challenges they have faced, Year 6 have worked exceptionally hard this term! They've shown fantastic perseverance and dedication to their learning both at home and in school. They have certainly earned a relaxing break filled with chocolate over the Easter break. Keep up the hard work Year 6. You should all be extremely proud of yourselves!



In our English lessons this term, we have been using Talk for Writing; the children have continued to impress us with the quality of their writing and the enthusiasm that they show during these lessons. They have been focusing on many different grammatical elements - show not tell, figurative language, accurate paragraphing for cohesion and a wide range of punctuation. Year 6 have continued to demonstrate their understanding of the features required to make a high-quality text in a range of genres: adventure stories, poetry, non-chronological reports and diary entries. Using this knowledge has enabled them to enhance the quality of their writing using the features identified by them. The quality of their written work has developed so well so far this year and we are looking forward to seeing it flourish in our final term together.

The children have shown excellent resilience and determination in our maths lessons this term! They've developed their understanding of algebra, statistics (including mean mode and median) and the properties of shapes (including angles). Whilst continuing to apply their knowledge of the four operations including working with decimals, percentages & fractions. We have been thoroughly impressed with the children's attitudes towards some challenging units of mathematics! The children have shown a great ability to reason and problem solve during all of these topics.



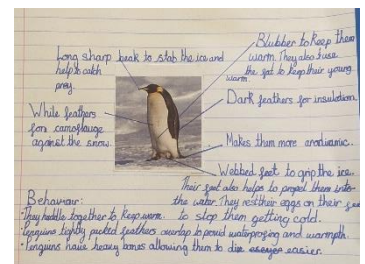
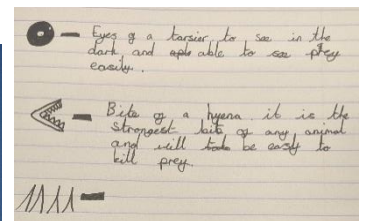
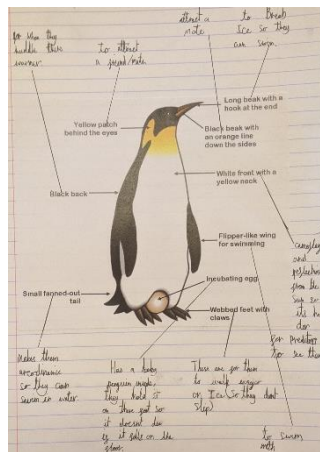
The children enjoyed World book day and they took part in a range of activities throughout the week: they became illustrators, learnt how to write incredible poems and got some amazing tips from a variety of authors! Year 6 were also excited to receive our delivery of new reading for pleasure books; they had a great time exploring and discussing them.





A highlight of this term was the Chinese dance workshop where the children learned many new skills. It was great for them to experience another culture and participate in something exciting and fun. Their engagement during the dance activities was excellent.

In our science work this term, we have been learning about evolution and inheritance. During this unit of science, we were able to learn about the different physical characteristics we inherit from our parents and ancestors. After learning about inheritance, we began to explore the theory of evolution and how our scientific understanding of this has developed throughout history (including researching and explaining Darwin's theory of evolution). The children showed fantastic understanding of extreme climates and the different ways that animals and plants have adapted to survive in these habitats. Using this knowledge, the children then selected different body parts from animals they had researched to create their own animal adapted to survive in an extreme climate of their choice.



Year 6 have enjoyed getting back into all of the sporting opportunities offered. They have particularly enjoyed their tennis and basketball sessions as well as our active lessons during our remote learning. It has been great to see them showing great leadership and teamwork in all of these lessons.

Finally, we would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for the support that you have given us this term especially throughout our time of remote learning. We are so glad to be back in school teaching your children! You've all shown so much patience and sent us encouraging messages throughout, which have been really appreciated.

Thank you all and we wish you a fantastic Easter Break.

Mr Upfield, Mrs Bown & Mrs Tansey

