

Year 5 and 6 News



Friday 30th September 2016

News:

It is hard to believe that we are four weeks into the new term already. Year 5 and 6 have had a really busy few weeks, with lots of different activities and learning going on.

One of the highlights of the last two weeks has been our joint Big Bake, where we raised over £160 which will be spent on the classes this year.

We also had a great time in creative weeks going to Pocket Park and doing some artwork around this – much of this is now on display around the school.

Year 6 also had a fantastic team building session with Hunts Sports Partnership.

Literacy

Over the past few weeks, year six have been exploring the collective nouns of different groups of animals and birds. The children have been coming up with their own descriptions and working on developing their sentence structure.

Year 5 have been looking at a selection of writing by Roald Dahl and using his stories as a stimulus for our own writing. This week we wrote some humorous character descriptions of Mrs. Trunchbull. Some pupils even created their own horrible headteachers to describe!

Science

Year 6 have been investigating on the how the heart pumps blood and have just begun to create their own investigation into who has the largest lung capacity in their groups.

Year 5 have been thinking about what it means to be a good scientist and have created some scientific enquiry questions to help guide our future investigations in to space and the solar system.

Numeracy:

During the first couple of weeks both year 5 and year 6 have been focussing on place value skills, which underpins so much of the maths that they will be doing throughout the rest of the year. They have been developing their skills in ordering, rounding and multiplying numbers through using place value knowledge and understanding.

Homework

It's been fantastic to see the literacy homework starting to come in and we have been impressed with the quality. It has also been good to see that so many of the children are reading very regularly at home – this helps them so much in their development as readers and writers.

Reminder

As we reach early autumn, can we please ensure that the children have appropriate clothing each day. Children should have wellies and sunhats with them everyday and it will soon be reaching a point where warmer coats, hats and gloves are required. Once again we would remind you to **name all items of clothing** as so many clothes still remain unnamed, especially in PE kits.