

Year 5 and 6 News



Friday 29th April 2016

News:

We've had a busy first few weeks back in years 5 and 6. Some of the highlights have included year 5 beginning swimming sessions on a Friday afternoon, sports competitions against local schools (see the bottom of the page) and lots of fun continuing with our topics in science, history and literacy.

Literacy

Year 5 have been working on report writing. We have been taking nursery rhymes and turning them into newspaper reports by really focusing on structure and the type of language we need to be using. Year 5 are practicing report writing for their last big writing project for The Hobbit where they will write a newspaper report about Bilbo's adventures with the dwarves.

Year 6 have been focussing on biographies in literacy this term. They chose a famous person to write the opening of a biography about and have then written a biography about the life of one of the members of staff at school!

Science

Year 5 have finished up their space unit by looking at what stars are and as well as having some fun with constellations and their zodiac signs. We will be looking at properties of materials next week!

Year 6 have been continuing to look at inheritance – this has included a lovely time of seeing how the children look similar to some people in their own families. We have also considered why some twins are identical while others are not.

Numeracy:

Year 5 have been focussing on long multiplication and short division as well as looking at mixed numbers and improper fractions. We have been using diagrams to help us understand and convert these tricky fractions.

Year 6 have continued to look at a broad range of topics from across the curriculum. As the weeks have gone on, they have been applying these skills to more and more problem solving activities.

PE and Sport

Year 5 and 6 have had two big inter-school competitions over the past couple of weeks. On 19th our netball team competed against other local schools at Longsands and on 21st we took six cross-country teams to Priory Park for the annual running event. The children enjoyed both events and were a credit to the school in their determination and behaviour.

Sunhats

It is getting sunny at last! Please can you ensure that your child has a sunhat at school with them every day – this is essential for break times and PE lessons.

As with the rest of their kits and uniform, please ensure they are labelled clearly with your child's name.