

Year 5 and 6 News



Friday 4th March 2016

News:

On Wednesday we had an e-safety day, where both of the classes spent an hour with a former police officer considering how they can stay safe online. We spoke about the importance of not sharing personal information, how the children are in control of their devices and talking to parents or teachers if they are worried about anything. We watched this video together which was very eye opening. It is a true story and provoked some great discussion.

<http://www.childnet.com/resources/jenny-s-story>

Literacy

Year 5 have begun reading The Hobbit for their new literacy unit. The children have written a persuasive letter to Bilbo to convince him to come on a journey with promise of fame and fortune. The children focused on the importance of using evidence to support their argument. Now the children are working on play scripts where they will re-enact the riddle scene between Gollum and Bilbo. As a class we will be discussing the key features of a play script.

Year 6 have begun a new unit of work based on the short film, The Piano (a great three minute animation which you can find online). The children have been writing their own film reviews and creating their own very moving scenes based on some of the memories from the old man's life.

Science

Year 5 have been working on their monthly Science Article Analysis where they pick an article online about our current topic (space) and unpick it to decipher fact from fiction and decipher many other important parts of the article.

Year 6 have begun to look at evolution and inheritance. They have learnt how living things change to suit their environments, looking closely at the example of the Peppered Moth. They have also found out about some extinct animals and what causes them to become extinct.

Numeracy:

Year 5 have been focusing on multiples and factors and how to find each from a set of numbers. The children have also just started learning about coordinates and how to read coordinate grids. The children will begin learning how to translate and reflect an object on a grid.

Year 6 have been investigating a range of different types of charts and graphs over the last couple of weeks. They have been drawing their own and learning how to interpret the data that is within them.

PE and Sport

Some of our girls have competed in a football tournament this week at Ramsey College. They competed against schools from all over Huntingdonshire and came second overall, having only conceded two goals in the whole tournament (both in the last match!) – well done girls!

World Book Day

It was great to share so many great books with the children on Thursday. They loved the opportunity to talk about their favourite books and share these with others in their classes. Hopefully this will encourage them to pick up a new type of book in the future.