

Year 5 and 6 News



Friday 18th September 2015

News:

Welcome back to a new year in years 5 and 6! The first two weeks have been as busy as ever. It's been lovely to hear about all that the children have been up to over the summer and begin the year with so many different activities. Both classes have been lucky to have a couple of days with Mr Cornell where they have been working on using a variety of mediums to draw water scenes. We have also had a joint Big Bake, making and selling savoury and sweet treats last Friday. We raised a total of £168 which will go towards the classes over the course of the year.

Literacy

Year 5 have started the year off by learning about children's author, Roald Dahl. This week we have picked our Literature Circle books and have started reading Charlie and the Chocolate Factory together as a class. We are looking at Roald Dahl's writing style and what makes it unique.

Year 6 have started this year by looking at different fiction genres and exploring their own preferences. This week we have compared and contrasted different styles of writing and considered why they attract different groups of people.

Science

Year 5 have been investigating living things and their habitats by exploring the various ecosystems in our very own school grounds. We have discovered diverse creatures within these ecosystems and will begin looking at their lifecycles.

Year 6 have begun the year by exploring the circulatory system in humans. We have focussed on the human heart and how it works.

Numeracy:

Both Year 5 and 6 have begun the year by looking at the foundations of place value that underpin all of our mathematical work this year. We have been exploring our number system and ensuring the children are secure in their knowledge and understanding.

Homework

Both year 5 and 6 are expected to complete an hour of Maths Whizz every week and your children will have also brought literacy homework home with them this week – we look forward to seeing these on Monday as the children continue to develop the skills they have been learning at school.

Reminder

As we reach autumn in the coming weeks, the weather is increasingly changeable. Please make sure your children have sunhats, wellies and raincoats in school. Please also make sure that you send in your children with their PE kits on Monday as the children will have activities throughout the week. Once again we would remind you to **name all items of clothing** as so many clothes still remain unnamed.