

Dolphin Class

During our literacy lessons Dolphin Class explored and learned to recite rhymes and poems. The children learned to come up with their own version of a rhyme. During our PSHE lessons we focused on recycling. We had lots of fun identifying materials that were reusable or recyclable and learnt how to dispose of rubbish correctly in the community. Look at our recycling boxes that we used over the weeks to do our own recycling! We had lots of fun sorting recyclable materials into the separate boxes and used lots of boxes, cups, plastic containers to build a paper-mache Hampton Court Palace for our humanities project. We have been learning about King Henry VIII in detail in humanities and looked at the palace in detail as well as the fate of his six wives.



Panda Class

Panda Class have been learning about rhymes and poetry in English. We have explored lots of different rhyming words and wrote our own acrostic poems. In Humanities we have enjoyed researching information about Henry VIII. In Science our topic is 'Animals including Humans' and we have learnt about the digestive system, teeth and the different food chains. We recreated the human digestive system and it was extremely messy and fun! In Maths we have been learning about measurement including weights and addition and subtraction with some of us working with numbers to 100! Computing is one of our favourite weekly lessons and we have been learning about algorithms and using Blue-Bots and tablets to produce a sequence of instructions to make the Blue-Bots move.



Orca Class

Whilst it has been a short half term, we have still managed to ensure plenty of learning has taken place! During our Maths Mastery lessons we have been exploring properties of 2D & 3D shapes, ensuring we use correct vocabulary such as vertices, faces, edges & apex. If you are not sure what some of these words mean, ask us and hopefully we will be able to tell you. We have also been learning about directions and using terms such as clockwise, anti-clockwise, $\frac{1}{4}$ turn, $\frac{1}{2}$ turn, $\frac{3}{4}$ turn and full turn.

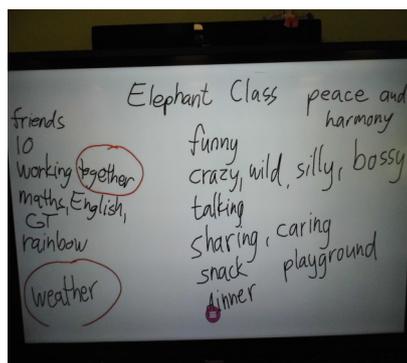
During our literacy lessons we have been learning about poetry and writing shape poems. We planned our poems using 'boxing up' templates and chose words to describe a sea creature. We learnt to use alliteration, similes and some of us used metaphors.

In Science we have been exploring the function of the Human Digestive System and carried out an investigation to replicate each part of the system. Some of us thought it was disgusting but we all learnt the simple functions and names of the Digestive System.



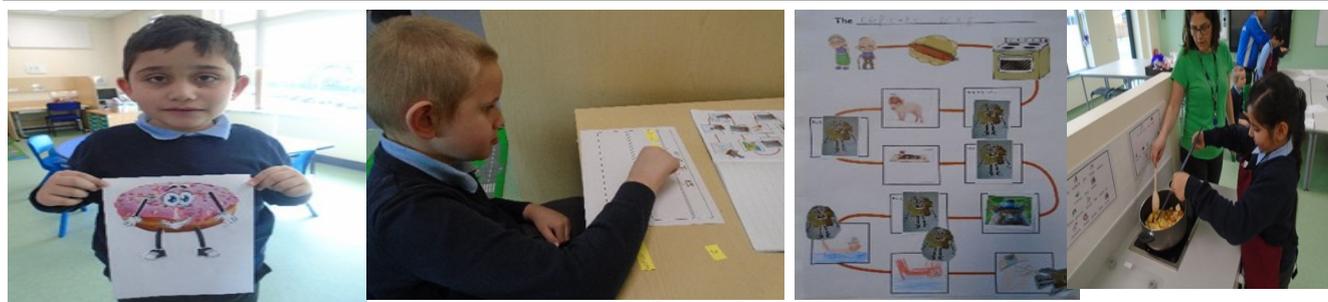
Elephant Class

In our literacy lessons we have been learning about poetry. We have studied rhymes, alliterations, similes and made a list of adjectives so that we can write our own poems. We have written one about Elephant class which described how hard working and funny we are. In Humanities we travelled back in time all the way to Tudor England. The King during this time was Henry VIII. He had 6 wives but only one outlived him. The other five didn't enjoy being the queen for a long time for different reasons. Life in Tudor times was much harder than now, at least for the poor. In Science we explored the different parts of the digestive system. We also looked at the different types of teeth and their functions.



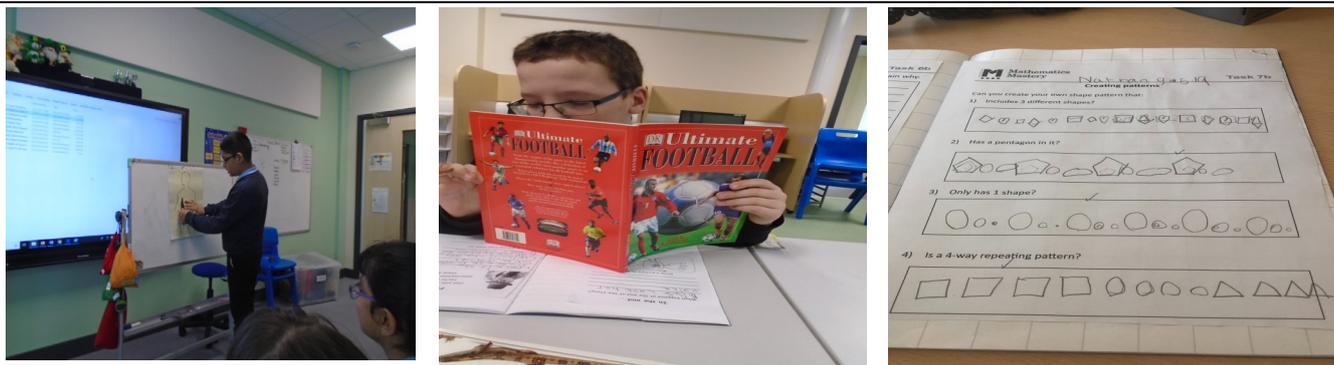
Rhino Class

In English we have been learning about rhyme through the story 'The Gingerbread Man'. We have been focusing on identifying the rhyming words from the story, and then set about recreating the story with characters we made ourselves. Characters that were created varied from doughnut men, to pizza and burger men. We made story maps to help us plan our writing. Our characters encountered lots of different animals on their journeys, including a cat in a hat, a dog with a log, a mouse in a house and many more. In Rhino Class we think rhyming is lots of fun! During our Humanities lessons we have been learning about Henry the VIII and the Tudors. It was really fun learning about the types of food rich people and poor ate during this time. We learnt that poor people mainly ate vegetables because they could not afford meat. One common dish the poor ate was called 'pottage'. We followed a recipe to make our own pottage. There was a mixed reaction about its taste in Rhino class; some people thought it was delicious while others did not like the taste at all!



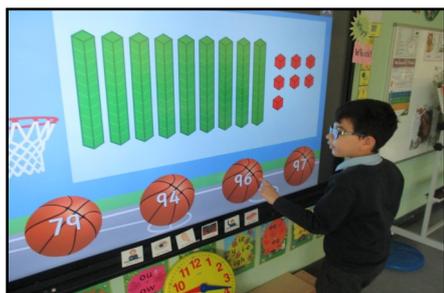
Giraffe Class

Giraffe class has had a busy term! The children have been busy studying the digestive system in science. The class learnt how our bodies use the food we eat and then learnt about the journey it takes through our stomach until it leaves the body. Harveer is photographed here putting the digestive parts in the correct position on the human body template. During our guided reading sessions, we looked at different football teams and the children had to elicit information from different football themed books (fiction and non-fiction). Luke enjoyed this activity as he is an avid Chelsea supporter. In our Maths Mastery lessons, we looked at 2D and 3D shapes in detail. We used these shapes to create repeating patterns. Nathan created his own pattern with certain criteria i.e. a pattern that included 3 different shapes. He really tried hard to create pentagons of the exact same size— great effort!



Lion Class

Lion Class have been enjoying learning about rhymes in English. They learnt about rhyming words and also created their own nursery rhymes. In Science they have learnt about teeth and digestion. They learnt the names of specific teeth and their function and also about digestion and what happens to our food when we eat it. We have learnt about Henry VIII in Tudor times and some interesting facts about how he ruled and what type of king he was. In PSHE we have learnt about recycling, the value of money and about medicines. In Maths we have been developing our knowledge of place value and understanding numbers. We played education maths games to help support our learning and used concrete resources like dienes to help our understanding.



Zebra Class

In science we have been looking at teeth as part of the digestive system. We have been learning the names of the different teeth that we have and their uses. We have also been learning how to care for our teeth properly and the importance of brushing twice a day. In RE we have been studying Judaism. During these lessons, the children learnt about Passover and the Seder plate. They learned about what is included on the Seder plate and what each item symbolises. In maths we have been creating word problems using addition and subtraction. Jessica made a verbal word problem using ducks and wrote a number sentence to go with her word problem. In literacy we have been studying poetry. We have been looking at onomatopoeia. Billy can be seen listening to the sound of the shaker and writing down as many words as he can to describe the sound it makes. He used this word bank to help him create a poem.

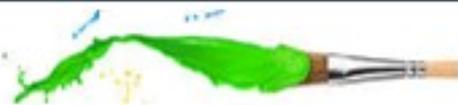
Zebra Class (continued)



Dates for your diary

- **Monday 3rd June** Pupils return to school (First day of Summer 2)
- **Monday 10th—14 June** Phonics screening check week
- **Thursday 13th June** Chessington World of Adventures (Lower Primary)
- **Friday 21st June** Bocketts Farm (Early Years)
Sports morning (Upper Primary)
- **Friday 28th June** Sports morning (Early Years and Lower Primary)
LEGOLAND (Upper Primary)
- **Thursday 4th July** MKS Summer Fair
- **Friday 5th July** Year 6 Celebration Assembly
- **Tuesday 23 July** Last day of school year (Children finish at 1:00pm)

ART - Upper Primary Newsletter - Summer 1



During Summer 1 students have been creating a series of fantastic artworks on the theme of "Landscapes and Cityscapes".

Students explored a number of artists and were then challenged to paint and create in a similar style to those artists. Students studied the work of Claude Monet and created a painting of his famous garden using their fingers and the work of Vincent Van Gogh, in which they recreated a landscape painting using acrylic paint and the "Starry Night" by using a variety of media including oil pastels, paint and card. Students enjoyed painting like Van Gogh using short and fast brush stroke and using lots of thick paint. Students were also interested in the story of Van Gogh and were inspired by his commitment to his art throughout his life. Below are some students from Rhino class creating a garden painting in the style of [Monet](#). Creative work Rhino class!



