



NEWSLETTER – Friday 3rd May 2024

As the warmer has started to make brief appearances, please can you ensure your child as a water bottle and sunhat in school.

This week we have had some external visitors into school. They have praised our school for being so welcoming, inclusive and calm. They feel 'our offer' for all pupils is broad with engaging learning behaviours, commenting on how polite, confident and caring our pupils are. It is always so wonderful to have such positive feedback, especially from professionals who work in and around other schools and settings.

As always, I am so proud of our pupils, staff and our amazing school community!

I hope you have a lovely bank holiday weekend.



OUR LEARNING THIS WEEK

YEAR 3

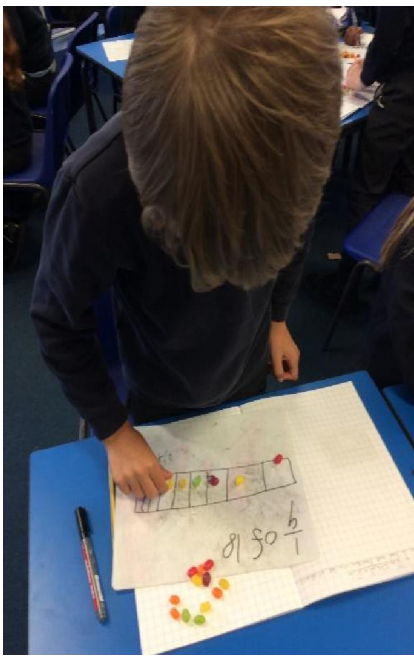
This week in English we have been planning our independent narrative writing. We have decided on our characters and that they are going to be eating video games or films. Hopefully they will stop and change their ways before things get out of control... We have to make sure our writing

includes all the elements we have practised so far: relative clauses, conjunctions, comparatives and superlatives as well as the correct punctuation. Once we have written, we will begin to edit our own work.

In Maths we have learnt to find the unit fraction of an amount as well as non-unit fractions of amounts. We have been racing around the playground sorting resources into equal parts and playing the 'breakfast game'.

Our Science learning this week involved more racing - a photosynthesis relay. We have found out that plants make their own food using carbon dioxide, water and light. They then produce glucose and oxygen.

In Geography we have looked at the vegetation, animals, climate and human uses of mountains. We had to research each area independently and create a lift the flap information book.



YEAR 4

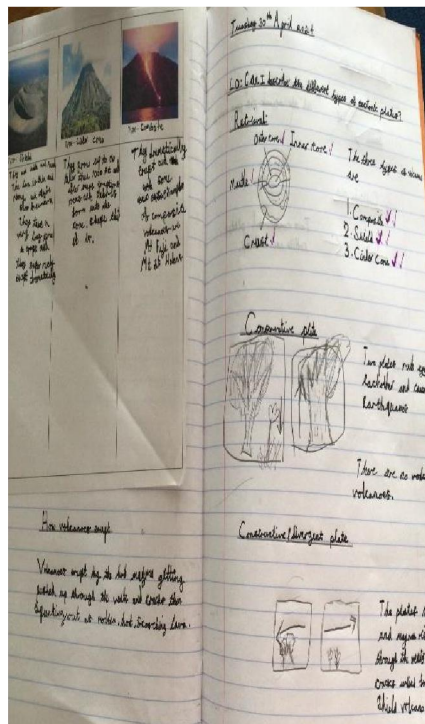
This week in English children decided on a historical person or scientist to write a biography on. They used ipads and books to research and make notes ready for the big independent write!

Yr 4 have started learning about decimals representing tenths. We decided to make the most of the weather and used measuring jugs to make decimal tenth amounts. We also used base 10 to understand the relationship between tenths as fractions and decimals.

In Science children continued to learn about different classification groups for animals and the common features for each.

In Geography it got a bit messy as children learnt about different tectonic plates using cream and crackers! They then drew a diagram and description for each in their books.

Overall, a wonderful week of learning in the sunshine.



YEAR 5

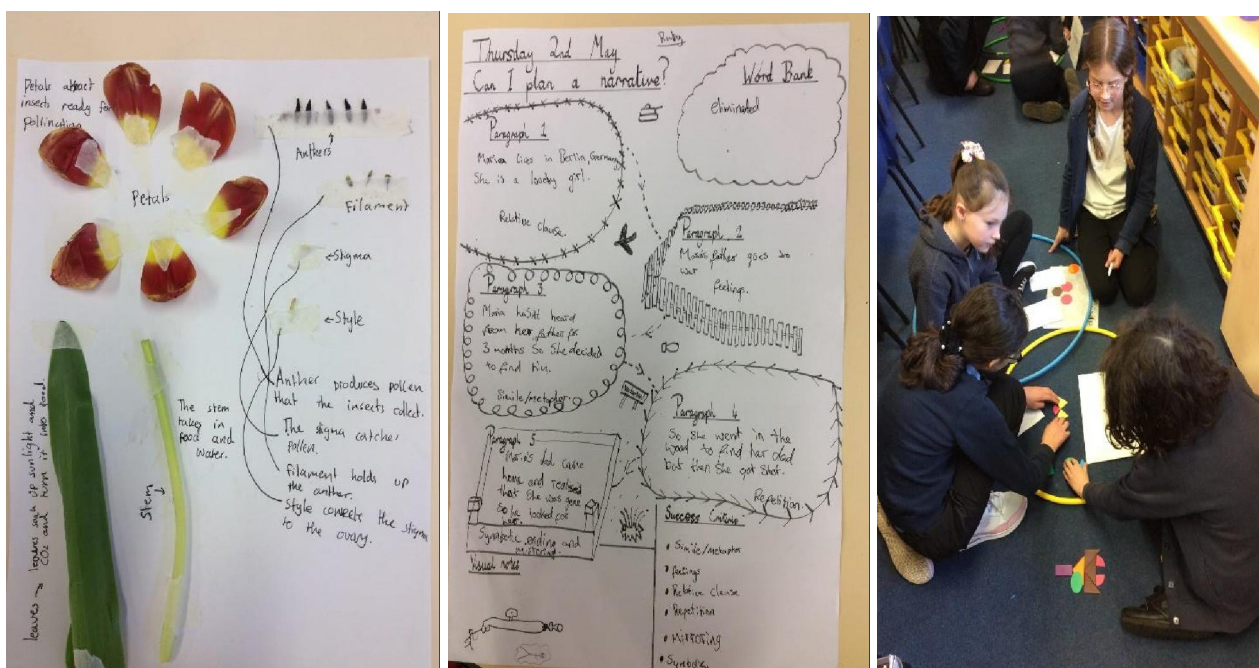
A fantastic week in year 5. In our writing, we have finished our sentence stacking and have planned new stories based on 'Rose Blanche.' We are all excited to find out what happens in each other's stories.

In maths we have learnt all about 2d and 3d shapes. We have classified shapes using Venn diagrams and even learnt a bit of Ancient Greek along the way. We then worked on nets and had a lot of fun making these.

In history, we learnt all about the role of women during WW2. We found out that women were employed making weapons, as farmers, as ARP wardens and in lots of other areas too. We then wrote letters and postcards about this.

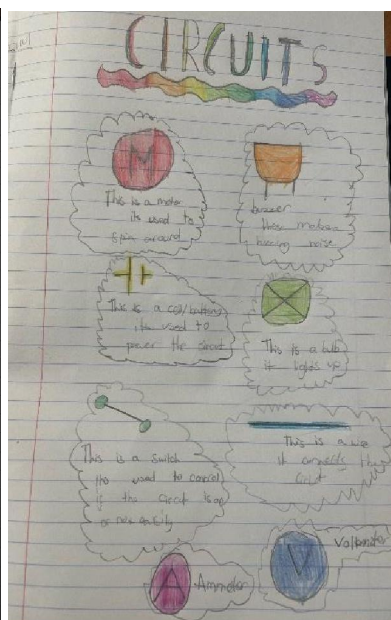
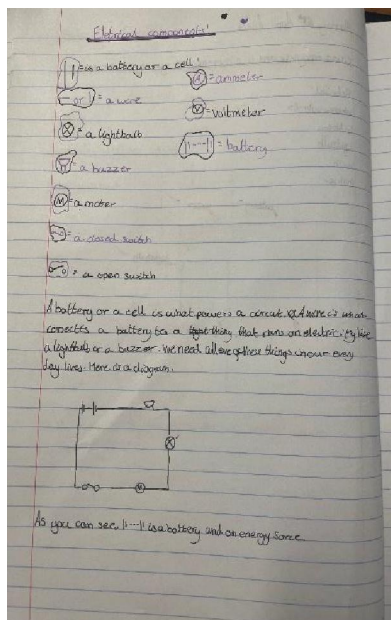
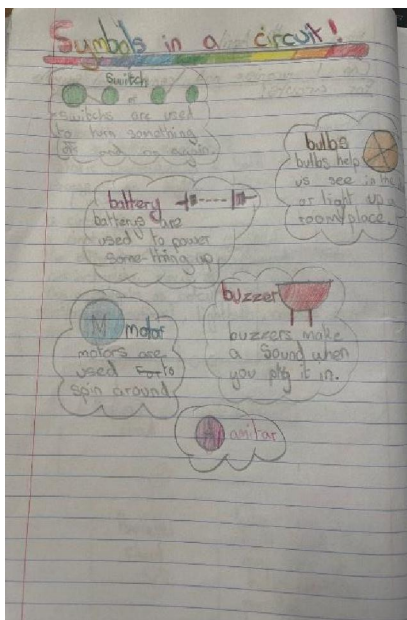
In science we had a lot of fun dissecting tulips to find out and identify the different parts of a flower.

In our Art this week we have begun to create buildings based upon ones we have been learning about in the last few weeks.



YEAR 6

It has been another busy week here in Year 6! We have planned, written, peer-marked and edited our independent writes in English. In math's, we have been revising adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing fractions. In science, learnt about the use of conventional symbols in circuit diagrams and created some lovely information posters about them. On Tuesday, we continued with fitness in PE, Samba in music and the rooms inside houses in French. On Wednesday, we learnt about how to use online resources to help us with our learning in our online safety lesson. On Thursday, we continued learning about shadow puppets in art. Finally, Friday consisted of more athletics, and we learnt about our world in the future in geography. We hope everyone has a lovely bank holiday weekend!



Blake Class

This week in Blake class we have been doing lots of practical activities to support our learning. We have been using our shadows to demonstrate the rotation of the Earth. 5 children predicted that our shadows would be in the same place when we checked them throughout the day, 5 children predicted that the shadows would be different. We then used our blow up planets to check when we are facing the sun.

In art, children looked at the work of Piet Mondrian. Children worked together to create a collage in a group in the style of Mondrian. The teamwork was excellent and children worked on key skills such as measuring and cutting.

In English, we looked at graphemes which represent sounds and what these might look like. We went on a word hunt around the class and spotted lots of ways to make the same sound!



Our school attendance target is 95%

Our attendance certificate for the highest class attendance this week goes to **3 Blyton with 98%. Well done!**

Attendance Matters



