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VJS NEWS



Proud To Be Me, Proud To Belong

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This week, Year 6 pupils completed their SATs test to assess the progress they have made since Key Stage One. Despite some tricky questions, the children showed resilience, perseverance and positivity in the face of every challenge. They have worked incredibly hard all year to reach this point and the whole staff, particularly the Year 6 team, are extremely proud of them. They should feel very proud of their efforts.



To celebrate the end of a stressful week, we enjoyed a lovely afternoon at Tenpin Bowling which the children were very grateful for.



We would like to say thank you to all of the Year 6 parents for your continued support throughout the year. We are sure you feel just as proud of the children as we do!

Upcoming Dates

- Friday, 24th May - INSET day (school closed)
- Monday, 27th May - Friday, 31st May - Half term
- Monday, 3rd June - Children return
- Tuesday, 4th June - Meeting for parents

The weather is now warming up. While it is important that the children are cool and comfortable, especially while doing PE, we ask that any shorts worn are knee length.

WHAT'S NEW!

Year 3

In RE this term, we have been looking at Sikhism. Our enquiry was 'Do Sikhs think it is important to share?' As a class, we have discussed how easy (or hard) it is to share in different scenarios, and looked at Gurdwaras from around the world.

We have looked into the teachings of Guru Granth Sahib, why Sikhs share food (Langar) together in the Gurdwara and how this shows their belief in equality. We have looked at festivals like the Baisakhi

Now it is your turn. Do you know how these pictures are related to Sikhism?



Year 4

In Mathematics this week, Year 4 have been introduced to angles. They have been differentiating between right, obtuse and acute angles. In English, they have been polishing their own story using ideas from the book 'The Journey'. Our new Science topic covers electricity and electrical circuits - this should spark their imagination and illuminate some ideas!

They have recently started History lessons and we are discovering ancient civilisations including the Sumerians who first appeared around 4500 - 4000BC. This topic shares cross overs with our Art project this term where the children have been looking at statues and figurines. Some have already made their own Sumerian statuettes from clay.



Year 5

We've had another busy, fun-filled week in Year 5. In Maths, we completed our unit on position and direction and will be moving onto our next topic, which is decimals, next week. For our writing, we've continued to develop our narrative based on the book 'The Kid who came from Space' which we are writing in first person.

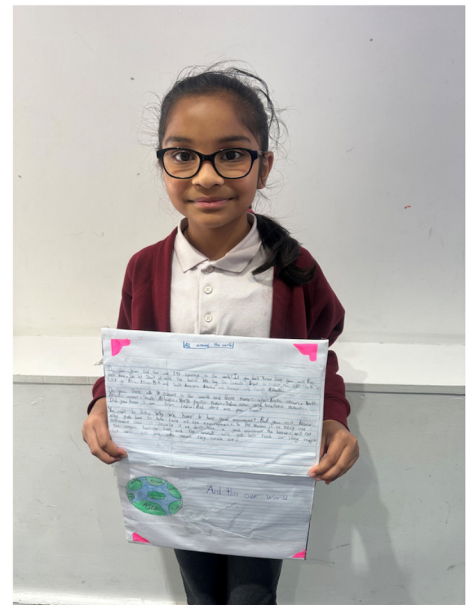
We also have been comparing the Minoan civilisation to the Mycenaean civilisation in our History topic, as well as completing a research into Jewish festivals and presenting our findings with the rest of the class.

In addition to this, we had a fun-filled PE lesson outside in the sun where we had groups playing football, basketball and other games.



Following the trip to the Houses of Parliament for our school council representatives a couple of weeks ago, Zia from Beech Class wrote a fantastic recount of her experience on the trip. Perhaps we have a future MP in the making!

Janya conducted some independent research at home about the world around us and the importance of looking after planet Earth. She presented her findings in a brilliant poster! Well done!



Our second hand uniform bank is running low, particularly for summer uniform.

If you have any items at home that your child has grown out of and are in good condition, please bring them in so we can give them a second lease of life!