

Weekly Learning Reflections



Week Beginning: 25th September 2023

Good afternoon Class Loyal families,

The first part of this week was a little different in Year 6, with the children embarking on their Bikeability training. This is always an important event in the Year 6 calendar, as we value the importance of the children gaining practical skills and understanding how to cycle safely on today's roads. Well done to all of the children for successfully completing their training and hopefully they have shared their certificates and badges with you.

Of course, it hasn't been all about the cycling! Back in the classroom, the children were tasked with publishing a best copy of their Ranvilles guide for Year 3, ready to present and share with their buddy early next week. Also, over the last couple of days, we've started our new unit of work in English which is instructional writing. The children will be producing a set of instructions to teach a novice how to complete a particular skill. With so much talent in the class, we have a range of skills being focused on, such as BMX racing, cheerleading, swimming and, of course, football. Today we compared two example texts for language and layout, deciding on the key features we liked and ones we would like to magpie for our own writing. Today's debate was whether instructions starting with imperative verbs or ones including modal verbs were most effective.

In maths, we have started on our new learning journey towards our next Big Problem. This unit is all about addition and subtraction and will include exploring and calculating with decimals. The work will lead on to calculating money ready for the children to be a Pizza Hut employee, working out the cost of pizzas and sides chosen by Ranvilles teachers and the change they should receive.

We had another attempt at classification keys in science this week and the children collaborated together to classify a range of different organisms by their characteristics. The extra time spent on these skills has definitely made a difference and the class are far more confident generating questions to help sort different living things. In art, the class enjoyed experimenting with Street Art and have sketched their initial ideas for their own art piece representing them and incorporating the many different techniques we have practised through this project.

Now on to star of the week:

The class vote went to Lauren for being such a fantastic role-model to all of the children, always working hard and persevering in her learning.

My vote went to Theo Johnson-Macdonald who always loves a challenge and completes tasks to his own very high standards. Well done to both.

I am really looking forward to meeting parents/guardians next Tuesday and Wednesday evening. The online booking system is now open for you to book a convenient slot.

Wishing you a wonderful weekend – see you on Monday Class Loyal.

Mrs Holmes