## Weekly Learning Reflections

Week Beginning: 6<sup>th</sup> November 2023

Dear Class Loyal families,

Another week has flown by in Class Loyal and we have enjoyed another jam-packed five days of learning.

Our balanced argument is taking shape – the first part of the week saw the children planning and organising their arguments and counter-arguments around mobile phones being used in secondary classrooms, before we turned our attention to writing an engaging introduction. The children challenged themselves to include parenthesis, a rhetorical question and some high level punctuation, such as a colon. We will continue writing these next week.

This morning, we paused our balanced argument writing to focus on Remembrance. In today's English lesson, the class learnt about the history of World War 1 and the experiences of soldiers who fought in this war. We also studied the famous WW1 poem, In Flanders Fields, learning about the poet and the circumstances which led him to write it. After analysing the language within the poem, the children identified themes within it and considered the lessons we can learn from it.

I am incredibly proud of the children's attitudes to learning in maths this week. Long division is always something that Year 6s find particularly challenging but I have to say that Class Loyal have remained positive, shown resilience and used plenty of perseverance. We will, of course, continue to practise this skill regularly but so many of the class have mastered the skill already! We have reached the end of this latest learning journey and the children have worked hard to organise a Firework Party at Ranvilles in their latest Big Problem.

With a brief dry spell on Monday afternoon, we were able to venture outside to begin to learn the key skills and techniques of volleyball. This was a particularly popular activity this week, with many of the class trying this sport for the first time. Another favourite activity from the week would have to be art, with the class learning about the work of David Hockney before having a go at replicating one of his techniques involving taking a photograph, cutting it up and creating an abstract collage from the pieces. Some excellent creativity Class Loyal!

Now on to star of the week.

This week the class voted for Lauren, for showing great perseverance all week and being kind. My vote went to Riley, who has been so focused across all lessons, offering his ideas and knowledge with the class. Well done to you both.

I would like to wish you all a fantastic weekend. See you on Monday Class Loyal.

Mrs Holmes

