Weekly Learning Reflections

Week Beginning: 16.10.2023



Good afternoon Class Endeavour families,

Just like that, the first half term has been completed! Over the past seven weeks, the children have worked tremendously hard, pushing their boundaries and facing challenges every day, as well as learning more about themselves, as learners and young people. It has been such a pleasure getting to know them, and I cannot wait to continue our journey as a class throughout the rest of the year, and make many more memories.

In English, we planned and wrote our first-person narrative recounts, using the perspective of the main character from the short film, 'Titanium'. The children focused on using expanded noun phrases, which we have practised and mastered during some PPP sessions, and experimented with different sentence starters, observing the different effects that they could create with each one.

In Maths, we finished our learning and led up to the Big Problem, Paultons Park Spooktacular Surprise. We used all of our multiplication knowledge and learning to solve numerous problems that occurred when planning and running the Halloween themed night. The children were tackling calculations with multiples, factors, prime numbers, squared and cubed numbers, and, of course, long multiplication. They worked so, so hard on this problem, and really had to use their problem-solving skills to pick out the numbers that they needed to use for each calculation.

To add to the fun of this week, we had our first debate of the year, where the children discussed the statement that 'It is important that some personal information is shared in the public domain'. The class used their History learning, when they explored the use of the census over the years, as well as their knowledge from Computing, focusing on online safety, and shared their ideas respectfully and clearly. It was truly brilliant to witness, and I'm already looking forward to future debates later in the year.

For Stars of the Week this week, after the mad rush of STAR school, we only had time for me to announce my choice, which is Josh. This week, Josh has shown his debating skills, through his articulate and passionate responses when being outnumbered during the debate on Wednesday; his teamwork skills, during our PE sessions across the whole week; and other traits, such as helpfulness, patience, independence and more. I think if the children did do a class vote for Star of the Week, it would have been varied in nominations and a very close call, as all children have been outstanding this week.

Endeavour, I hope that you have enjoyed your first half term of Year 6, and have a lovely, restful half term. Meet up with friends and family, rest up every night and take the time to reset before starting again in a week's time.

Miss Devonshire 😊

