

Weekly Learning Reflections



Week Beginning: 16th October 2023

Dear Class Loyal families,

We have reached the end of our first half term and what a fantastic first half term it has been. I have been very proud of how the children have embraced the routines, pace and challenges of Year 6 and they have so much to be proud of themselves.

This week we have finished our first narrative writing piece, linked to the music video for Titanium. I gave the children many challenges along the way and they have really worked hard to meet them all. We have explored the use of figurative language to add detail to setting descriptions, as well as how inner voice can help us understand a character better. This narrative is full of suspense and drama, which they needed to show through their language choices and use of short sentences. I am really looking forward to reading these.

In maths, we completed our learning journey with a Big Problem – the children were working for Paultons Park and were organising their ‘Spooktacular Surprise’. This incorporated applying skills of finding factors, multiples, prime numbers, square and cubed numbers, as well as applying the formal method of multiplication. It was such a pleasure to see the children using their skills to solve the problems and working with such confidence. Great job Class Loyal!

The children were given opportunities to discuss our key question ‘Should personal information be in the public domain’. This covered some of the learning we have done this half term in history (the census) and computing, where the children discussed their digital footprint and how to be safe online.

We finally completed our miniature playgrounds in DT, with the class using their skills of building structures to make a number of different pieces of equipment for their own playground. They were able to evaluate other groups’ efforts against key criteria, focusing on how well their designs meet the brief and the DT skills they used.

Now on to star of the week:

The class voted for Vili for being focused and working hard all week on all subjects. He was also noticed for supporting others.

My vote went to Joanna. Joanna has worked incredibly hard all week, particularly on her independent writing and maths. She uses the resources available to her in the classroom well to enable her to complete tasks to a high standard. Joanna is always looking to improve her work and will challenge herself to do so. Well done to both of you – so well deserved.

I would like to wish you all a restful and healthy half term. See you next half term Class Loyal.

Mrs Holmes