

Weekly Learning Reflections



Week Beginning: 1.1.24

Dear Parents and guardians,

With tick following tock, and tock following tick this short week has ticked and tocked and vanished away...

It was lovely seeing the children, they have settled back quickly into school routines.

Maths

The children have taken their learning about time to a new level. They learnt how to change time from the 12-hour clock to the 24-hour and vice versa.

Some elements of this proved to be tricky to master, and the children had to think hard why you don't add 12 hours to the time until 1pm. The children at the end of the week were confident and will be able to help you plan international holidays involving the 24-hour time zones.

English

Harry Potter mania has gripped year four. This week, the children started off reading excerpts of the multi-million best seller Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone. The focus of the next two weeks is to get under the skin of the young wizard to understand how his characteristics are drip-fed through the pages by JK Rowling. The children in turn have magpied her noun phrases to use in their own writing next week.

Science

What is a solid? This is the question that on the surface seemed straightforward. That was until the children realised not all solids are hard, and neither are they all strong, and nor do they all keep their shape if a force is applied.

Most baffling of all, if sand is a solid, then why does it flow like a liquid? These were among the multitude of questions that needed grounding down, till they made sense to the children.

PSHE

Danger, danger, danger! This week, the children gauged, ranked and acted out scenarios about different types of dangers that they may encounter.

In groups, they discussed which risks are acceptable and which are not. Clearly crossing a road is dangerous, but it's something that we do every day. The children explored a variety of situations and how to remove as many hazards as possible.

Children's Star of the Week

The children chose Alfie and Millie for being brilliant, helpful friends.

Teacher Star of the Week

I have chosen Dylan and Florence for putting 100% all week.

I hope you have a super weekend with your child and loved ones.

Kind regards,

Amarjit