

## Weekly Learning Reflections

**Week Beginning: 4<sup>th</sup> March 2024**



Good afternoon Class Endeavour families,

This week has been so brilliant in our class, with the return to normality following our escapade to Marchants Hill last week. The children were quick to fall back into the swing of things, and turning the focus back to their work.

In English, we have started our two-week unit on persuasive writing, with the outcome of a leaflet to encourage families to visit Marchants Hill for their summer holidays. The children have, of course, completed very detailed, practical research through their experiences of last week, and have also done some online research using the PGL website to find the more specific details. We have looked at a range of persuasive leaflets throughout the week, analysing the layout, language and techniques that were used effectively to achieve their purpose. The children have drafted the layout of their own leaflets, as well as some elements of the writing, focusing on some chosen techniques. Over the next week, we will be developing this writing, before bringing it all together to create their leaflet.

In Maths, we have continued our learning on ratio and proportion. This week looked more at scale factors, using their ratio knowledge from the week prior to the residential. We then used our ratio knowledge again with recipes. The children were challenged to work out the measurements of ingredients when having to change the recipe slightly due to differing serving quantities. On Friday, the children were enrolled in the Big Problem: The Great British Bake Off, where they had to complete questions to succeed in a variety of scenarios, including baking for the crew, working out costs for ingredients and making an extra cake due to forgetting the turn the oven on! The children's work on their times tables was very beneficial in this lesson, and the progress that some of them have made due to their daily practice, as well as their TTRockstars practice, was clear to see.

Throughout the rest of the curriculum, in PE we continued our work on Handball and Badminton. Handball on Monday looked at the different types of passes, as well as looking for space to receive passes from teammates and practising in game-style scenarios. Badminton on Wednesday looked at the forehand return, where the children had to focus on the aim of their returns, trying to push their shots towards empty space, forcing their opponents to reach further in order not to concede a point. In Geography, we compared different energy sources, looking at benefits and consequences of both renewable and non-renewable types of energy.

World Book Day was a resounding success in Class Endeavour, with a superb selection of outfits being showcased on Thursday. In English, we looked at an extract from the first book of the Skeleton Keys series by Guy Bass, instigating a brilliant discussion about themes and characters, as well as the

children making some very interesting theories about what was going to happen in the rest of the story. In the afternoon, we took part in our school-wide World Book Day project, in creating a poster for our extract. It was a whole class effort, with everyone doing their part to create a wonderful poster, that all of the children should be so proud of. On Friday, we had the pleasure of welcoming Guy Bass to our school for a talk, and the children had their chance to buy one of his books and have it signed. We were also lucky enough to have a signed copy of Skeleton Keys for our class!

For Stars of the Week, the class chose Jack. This was due to his perseverance in Maths throughout the week, and his numerous traits that make him a great friend, including humour and kindness. My choice was Thomas. This is because he is a consistently amazing role model for those around the school, helped by his role as a Prefect, and in the class as well. He also has a strong work ethic and always tries his hardest in every lesson. Well done Jack and Thomas!

I hope that you all have a lovely weekend, taking the time to unwind and relax with the ones you love – have a wonderful Mother's Day as well! I look forward to seeing you all on Monday.

Miss Devonshire 😊