

Weekly Learning Reflections



Week Beginning:

Happy Friday 😊

Another jam packed week in Year 3 has come to an end and the children have worked hard!

English this week has seen us discover a new text called 'I'll take you to Mrs Cole' by Nigel Grey. The children began the week exploring the first half of the story and making predictions and conclusions. Later we explored the second half of the book and discovered that initial appearances aren't always correct and realised that we shouldn't jump to conclusions. From here we looked at diary writing and the children have penned a diary entry from the perspective of Jack, the main character. They thought carefully about his unusual day and how he felt at differently at different points in the story. Some excellent vocabulary has been used and they have all applied their learning brilliantly.

The announcement of our new BIG PROBLEM, 'Mario Kart Grand Prix', has sent great excitement throughout the year group. In order to participate, the children will work on their addition and subtraction skills in both mental and written formats. We have started by focusing on mental arithmetic of adding 10 or a 100 before developing our number bonds to 100. Next week we will be looking at addition and subtraction in more formal methods whilst using 3 digit numbers.

We have had a double art session this week as we have discovered a technique called 'frottage'. The children explored texture by creating rubbings from a range of surfaces around the school. They then tore, ripped, cut and manipulated their different colours and textures and experimented with arrangements to discover harmonious and contrasting effects. Their final piece saw them creating flower image that pulled their exploration together.

On top of this we have considered the difficulties of living in the harsh environment of Antarctica in Geography, explored 'Ride of the Valkyrie' before continuing to follow patterns of rhythm in 'Hall of the Mountain King' using xylophones in Music and began to make our own bionic hands in science to see how muscles are used to make joints move. A busy week all round.

On top of all the learning it was great to see so many of you at Parents evening this week. Thank you for your attendance, it was lovey to share with you, in person, how well your young people are getting on at Junior School.

★ ★ ★ STARS OF THE WEEK ★ ★ ★

Pupil Star of the Week - ★ Isla ★

Jessica was chosen to be star of the week by the children for her kindness and hard working attitude. They also identified her efforts in all lessons but especially her creative thinking in art this week.

Teacher Star of the Week - ★ Evelyn ★

Evelyn shows fantastic independence and perseverance no matter the lesson. This week it is has been excellent to see her challenge herself in maths and let her creative thinking shine in both art and English.

Well done to our stars.

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Hope that you all have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Mori 😊