

Weekly Learning Reflections



Week Beginning: 11th November 2024

Good afternoon Class Endeavour families,

This week has been yet another showcase of the children's positive learning attitudes and their curiosity. In English, we have continued our instructions writing, with a focus on being clear and specific in order for our steps to be followed accurately by the reader. In Maths, we started our new domain focus: Fractions. This week was looking at equivalent fractions, first looking at this concept with concrete resources: Cuisenaire and fraction walls, before looking at it from an abstract arithmetic viewpoint. We ended with the first part of our fractions Big Problem: Carlo's Bake Shop, where the children had to help Buddy and his team to organise and prepare cakes for his store.

Across the rest of the curriculum, we analysed population increase and decrease in different countries, and the factors that can lead to this in Geography. Science had us looking at the parts of the eye, and how we are able to see (the idea of humans technically seeing things upside down, before our brains flip the image was something mindboggling to many). In Music, we continued looking at film music, specifically at the backing music in Wallace and Gromit: A Close Shave, and the instruments and dynamics that are used to create certain emotions within the film.

Today was our trip to the Hawk Conservancy Trust in Andover, and it was so wonderful to see the children in awe of the birds that we met throughout the day. All of the class were brilliantly behaved in a very exciting environment, as we explored the site, looking at numerous species of birds of prey that they have to offer: kestrels, hawks, eagles, vultures and owls. Some popular aspects of the trip were our meeting with Fagin the Vulture, who even gave Marla a little brush on the forehead as he soared past during a demonstration, as well as a cheeky Little Owl, Mozzarella, who wasn't fully up for listening to his instructor's commands during the Woodland Owls Flying Display. I was so proud of how the children engaged in their learning today, and seeing them ask many questions about the incredible creatures and participating fully in the workshops and discussions.

I hope that you all have an amazing weekend, and I look forward to seeing you again on Monday morning.

Miss Devonshire 😊