<u>Curriculum News – October Half Term 2</u>022



Kingfisher Class Yrs 5&6

Kingfisher class have had an excellent start to the year and are really working hard on Habit 6- synergizing and understanding that focussing together is better for our learning. All children absolutely loved reading and analysing Macbeth by William Shakespeare and blew us away with their soliloquys from the perspective of Macbeth; each piece added tension and engaged their audience. Their fantastic writing continued when they wrote memorial letters for the Queen, we are glad you enjoyed reading them at home.

Our highlight this term has been learning all about the volcanoes in Indonesia and around the world. The children really enjoyed learning about the eruption of Anak Krakatoa and they noticed a link with their Science sound topic. They noticed that the sound of the volcanic eruption was the loudest sound ever recorded in the planet's surface, reaching a tremendous 310 decibels, in comparison to a jet engine that was 112 decibels! This led on to our Science experiment of testing different materials to explore which material was the most effective for sound proofing, which you can see in the photos. All children used data loggers effectively and enjoyed working as a team.





Robins Class Yrs 3&4

This term, Robins class have enjoyed exploring the story of Alice in Wonderland, as part of our learning in English. Through a variety of drama activities, we have developed our ability to sequence and summarise the key events in a portal narrative as well as infer how different characters might be feeling at different points of the story. Using what we have learnt about characterisation, we then created our own Wonderland inspired characters to feature in our chapter from the story.







Kites & Kestrels Classes Yrs 1&2

This half term, we have enjoyed going back in history and being detectives; finding out about how the Queens' lives have changed over the years.

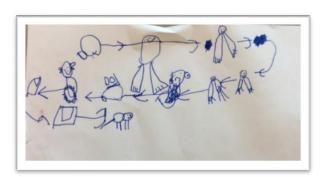
We read stories linked to London and the Queen and re-told and re-wrote how the Queen lost her hat using time phrases and we designed and made new and spectacular crowns for the Queen and wrote instructions using verbs to accompany them.





Wrens Class YR

Wrens have enjoyed a range of lovely stories this half term and have been creating storymaps in order to retell them. We had great fun acting out "Stickman", "Kipper's Toybox" and "Owl Babies." The children were inspired then to create their own stories and drew their own storymaps to tell their fantastic stories.



In maths we have been sorting to our own criteria, explaining our sorting rule, using different objects to create repeating patterns with and learning how the numbers 1,2 and 3 are made up.

We had great fun exploring the remote controlled cars too. We found that they could act as snowploughs to push a block which made us wonder how many blocks they would push. We explored this and then created different obstacle course to programme the cars around.

We have been busy with our art learning, using art straws to create our own Funnybones skeleton character and creating an owl by tearing tissue paper.