



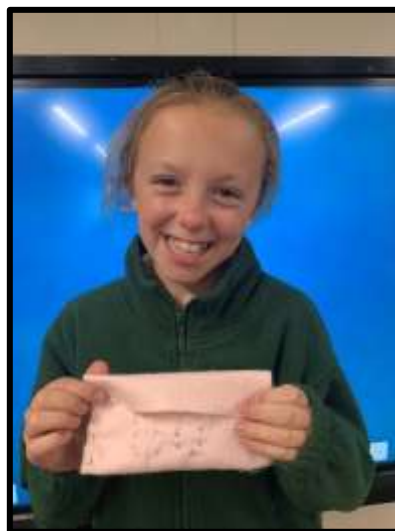
Year 5 Newsletter

22nd November 2024

Dear Parents

It's been a slightly unusual, but very busy week!

On Monday, Mrs Spratt and Miss Reddick helped the children to sew the Tudor purses that they had designed last week. When all the purses had been completed, the children had learnt new skills and they were very proud of what they had produced. The adults were exhausted!



In maths this week, we have continued comparing fractions by finding common denominators. We also had a revision lesson, covering all we have learnt in Year 5 so far. We've read a lot more of our class book in English and carried out reading comprehension and SPaG activities. In science, we investigated which materials are good thermal conductors and which are good thermal insulators. In history, we learnt all about the reign of Queen Mary I. On Thursday, we had a great Woodland Learning session with Year 3 - the children don't seem to mind the cold anything like as much as I do!

Blue Light Juniors

On Monday, I was out of class having First Aid training. It was an excellent day and during the course we found out that in some countries all children are taught first aid skills in school. We thought that this is a brilliant idea - it could literally save lives - so we have arranged for all the children in Year 5 and Year 6 to do the 'Blue Light Juniors' course on Monday 13th January 2025. A separate letter is being sent home with more details.



God and the Big Bang!

On Wednesday, six children from Year 5 went to Rochester Cathedral to take part in workshops about God and the Big Bang! They represented us beautifully, had a great time and have enjoyed telling us about everything they learnt.

Teacher of the Week

This week's teacher was Lily. She had clearly spent a long time creating her excellent presentation about 'Space.' She presented it confidently, showed a fun video and gave the children a quiz. She's quite a strict teacher!



Home Learning

*For home learning, I would like the children to do some research and find out about the life and reign of Elizabeth I. The information found should **not be just copied and pasted**, but I am happy for the children to hand write or type. Pictures could be copied or drawn, to enhance presentation. The children can choose whichever details they find most interesting - no need to write about everything - and their finished work should not be more than 2 sides of A4 long. This project will take a while to do well, so I will give the children two weeks to complete this task. It should be returned to school by Friday 6th December.*

Have a great weekend!

Best wishes,

Louise Grinstead