

Year 5 Newsletter

24th June 2022

Dear Parents

This week in maths, the children have learned about angles around a point, vertically opposite angles, coordinates in the first quadrant and reflection. In English, this term, we will mostly be basing our work on Greek Myths. In the first story, we learnt how Zeus punished Prometheus by tying him to a cliff and making eagles peck him for eternity. The children wrote a detailed discussion text about whether or not this was a fair punishment. We then started to read the story of 'Pandora's box', writing a detailed description of how it may have looked.

We are starting a new history mini-topic about Ancient Greece, so started by finding out about, and ordering, the periods in time between 2000BC and 146BC. Our science topic this term is Humans and Other Animals. So far, the children have looked at the stages of human development and they drew a line graph to show the first year of growth in height of baby boys and girls.

It has also been a very sporty week, with a cricket coaching session and sports day!

Midsummer Music

I am so pleased that the Midsummer Music event was such a success. Congratulations to all the children, but especially to Priya for her lovely singing solo and Sophia for her simply awesome piano playing. Thank you for supporting this event with such enthusiasm!



Teachers of the Week

The first 'teacher' to tell you about is Euan. His lesson about the internet and the world wide web ("they are not the same thing") was very informative and very confidently presented indeed.

The second 'teacher', Matthew D, was equally clear and confident. His lesson about his top ten footballers was very much enjoyed by the class.



Science Week

Next week, we will be carrying out some fun science activities for Science Week. On Monday, we will be needing some plastic bottles, as large as possible, such as lemonade bottles or milk cartons. If you happen to have any, please could you send them in on Monday?

Home Learning

For home learning this week, the children have spellings to learn for next Friday's test. They also have a maths sheet about angles and straight lines to complete. In order to find the missing angles, the children must remember that:

- Angles on a straight line add up to 180 degrees
- Angles around a point add up to 360 degrees
- When two straight lines intersect, the opposite angles are equal

The sheet should be returned to school by next Thursday please.

Best wishes,

Louise Grinstead