

Year 5 Newsletter

1st October 2021

Dear Parents

Well, this has been another interesting week, but numbers in class are ever increasing and I really hope to have the whole class back by the middle of next week.

This week in maths, the children subtracted whole numbers with more than 4 digits, used inverse operations and solved lots of addition and subtraction word problems. In English, the children created an 'amazing animal', which was made up of at least three other creatures. They wrote non-chronological reports about their animals, with detailed paragraphs about appearance, habitat and diet. Finally, they wrote a detailed diary-style recount, describing their adventures to discover this animal. In science, the children considered the properties that the various features of a house are made of and how those properties make the materials particularly suited to the purpose. The children are learning to use spreadsheets in computing and in RE, they considered the things that Christians believe in.

PE Kit

It has become apparent that several children do not have a full PE kit. Please ensure that your child has a (clearly named) T-shirt, pair of shorts, some joggers, a sweatshirt and, most importantly, appropriate footwear. We often do PE outside and although plimsolls are better than school shoes, the children really need trainers, which provide much better support and protection. I am not trying to be difficult, but for the sake of hygiene and health and safety, I really cannot allow the children to do PE without the appropriate clothing.

Home Learning

We have had some great photos of the children reading in 'remarkable' places. If your child has not sent in a photo to the office yet, please help them to do so as soon as possible.



This week's home learning is to carry out some research about Henry VIII and produce an A4-sized report about him. The children do not need to go into too much detail about his six wives, as we will study them at a later date. It would be great if they can find out some interesting information about the king, such as what his talents and hobbies were. Pictures can be included to enhance presentation and the report can be typed or hand-written, but it should be written in their own words, rather than just copied and pasted from the internet. These should be returned to school by Friday 8th October please.

Best wishes,

Louise Grinstead