

Year 5 Newsletter

17th September 2021

Dear Parents

We have had another great week in Year 5 and we have accomplished a great deal...

In maths, the children rounded numbers within 100,000, wrote numbers to a million in numbers and letters, counted in 10s, 100s, 1000s, 10,000s and 100,000s, and finally they compared and ordered numbers to a million. In English, we read more of our class book and then had great fun acting out a busy Tudor market scene, before writing a detailed description. The children also wrote a diary entry from the perspective of the poor Tudor boy in our book, who had just encountered Henry VIII. A final English activity was a reading comprehension task.



In history, we learnt about the Tudor family tree and wrote about Henry VIII, the first Tudor monarch. Our science this week involved a 'diamond 9' activity, where the children had to consider factors which affect how quickly the water in a puddle evaporates and order them according to importance. We also looked at the definitions of lots of different properties of materials.

All the children in Key Stage 2 are now going to learn Latin, in addition to Italian. We had a great first lesson, in which the children learnt how to say hello (*salve*) and goodbye (*vale*) in Latin. We made up Latin sounding names for the children and had great fun saying hello and goodbye to each other!

Today, we had our first Woodland Learning session. I gave the children completely free choice of activities, as it was our first session, and they had a great time building things, playing games,

*climbing, swinging and generally getting rather wet and muddy!
Many thanks to Mrs Fletcher for her help.*

Home Learning

As always, the children should be reading almost every night. Spellings should be practiced either for the test each Friday, or on Wordshark and children should also continue to work on their times tables. In addition to these tasks, this week the children have been given either one or two maths sheets to reinforce our work on place value and rounding. These should be completed and returned to school by next Thursday please. I really appreciate your support to encourage the children to complete any home learning set. They should usually be able to do it independently, but it is absolutely fine to lend a hand if needed.

Best wishes,

Louise Grinstead