

All children thrive in a culture where potential is limitless

YEAR 6



Loose

Primary School

newsletter

31ST JANUARY 2025

WHAT HAVE WE LEARNT?

What another fantastic few weeks we have had in Year 6. In literacy, we have continued with our unit on suspense writing. The children have been learning the impact that speech can have on a piece of text, and how speech can be used to effectively move a story along. We then had the chance to put this into practice, and have written some suspense filled dialogue, ensuring that we are punctuating our speech correctly, using appropriate reporting clauses, and even adding character actions. We have started rewriting the story 'Reflection' by Jesse Reffsin in our own words, thinking about where and how we can really build tension in our writing and include speech.

We have moved to our decimals unit in maths over the last two weeks, and have been learning how to add and subtract decimals, round decimals to the nearest integer, tenth or hundredth, and multiply and divide by 10, 100 and 1000. Next week, we are going to explore how to multiply and divide decimal numbers by an integer.

We have continued reading 'When the Sky Falls' by Phil Earle in guided reading, and Year 6 are showing a real enthusiasm for this text!

In science we have continued our learning on electrical circuits, and have had the opportunity to build some circuits ourselves and complete some experiments. Children were asked the question: *what happens to the volume of a buzzer when we increase the number of cells in a circuit?* We had some very noisy classrooms whilst the children were testing their theories and adding more power to their circuits!

In history we have started our learning on 20th century conflict, and have had an extremely engaging lesson learning about the alliances that were formed during WW1. The children are showing a real enthusiasm for this topic, and it is clear to see that a lot of them have a lot of knowledge as well, which is wonderful to see.

Just as a reminder, parents evening consultations are coming up on the 12th & 13th February, from 4PM – 7PM. Please do book in to see us – we would love to discuss your child's progress over the last few terms with you!

COMING UP

11th FEBRUARY

Safer internet day

14th FEBRUARY

Last day of term

REMINDERS

- Bring home learning books to school **every** day for communication.
- Children should be reading for 20 minutes, going on TTRS for 10 minutes and practicing spellings for 10 minutes daily.
- Please ensure PE kits are in school everyday so we can be flexible around the rain.
- Weekly homework is set on a Friday and due the following Friday. Please ensure children are completing this independently, although they are able to mark their own work when they have finished.

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