



CLASSROOM NEWS

'Take a peek at our week'

Term 5, Week 1: 18/4/17 - 21/4/17

THIS WEEK'S LEARNING

Welcome back!

I hope you all had a restful Easter holiday. Time does certainly fly and we have now been back for a week already. The children returned very excited and full of stories to tell each other.

English

This week, we have started reading the book, The Iron Man. The children wrote an alternative beginning and a recount this week, focussing on using conjunctions effectively to extend their sentences as well as writing descriptively. The children have also been focussing on reading comprehension, learning to answer more difficult questions about the text read.

Maths

We have been using written methods to add and subtract this week and the children have solved word problems involving money. They have had to carefully consider what the question is asking and which method to use to find the answer. They have been asked to find the change, the difference in prices as well as add several items together. We have also continued our mental maths sessions and all the children are showing a growing confidence in the mental methods learnt.

Science

We started our new topic this week, Animals and their Habitats. We began by identifying the seven characteristics of living things. We then spoke about sorting animals and plants using different criteria. The children thought of several different criteria to use. They were then given pictures of a vast variety of animals and a diagram and the children chose their own criteria to group the animals into. We shared our ideas and there were some surprising criteria used by some. We also had a look around the school site to see if we could find any animal habitats.

RE

This week, the children had to consider what the features of worship are. They thought about features in our daily worship as well as when we go to church. We identified candles, hymns, singing and praying as important features. We also considered how a church could help a Christian worship and what the church building mean for a Christian. We discovered it is God's house, a calm place and somewhere you can feel closer to God.

PSHE

We shared our experiences of when we feel happy, sad, excited, cross, nervous, worried and surprised. It was interesting to listen to the children's responses and they all participated enthusiastically.