

Year 5 Newsletter

Hello parents,

In English this week we have continued with our class book 'Kensuke's Kingdom'. We have read the first three chapters of the story and the children have completed a variety of writing tasks from this. We have completed a storyboard of the first chapter, written a letter to Mrs Jaggard asking if we can have twelve to eighteen months off school to travel around the world on a boat and we have written instructions on how to perform the man overboard drill.

In Maths, the children have been exploring area and perimeter of regular and irregular shapes, finding missing lengths using our facts on rectangles and we have been translating shapes. The children have worked really hard on some complex questions!

In Science, we have continued our topic on 'Forces'. This week we have explored whether the surface area of an object affects the way it moves through water, thus testing the effects of water resistance. We made different shapes out of blue-tac and dropped them into containers, seeing which hit the bottom first. We discovered that a dart shaped object was the best for moving through the water quickly.

On Wednesday we had the Young Shakespeare Company come into school to perform the play 'Hamlet'. Throughout the performance the children listened beautifully, engaged in their roles when given and some even acted part of the play out. The children had lots of fun and we certainly have some actors in the classroom.

A big thank you for everyone dressing up yesterday as part of World Book Day. The outfits were elaborate, fantastic and very inventive. The children loved being in character (there were spells being cast all day) and hopefully it will continue to inspire them to read!

For home learning the children have a 'mymaths' worksheet to complete on translating shapes. This should be completed by Thursday 9th March please.

Have a great weekend!

Best wishes

Mr Deakin

