

Year 5 News

Term 2, Week 7

A snapshot of our term

Term 2

It has been a long term, but we're nearing the end of it now! The children have worked extremely hard throughout the whole term and I am very impressed by them all. They have shown great determination to succeed and are learning the art of persevering.

I am especially impressed by the children's writing. They have all worked their socks off to include all the 'ingredients' I am always asking for. There is a lot to include in the writing when you are in year 5 and 6 and the children need to know all the technical terms to do with grammar, in order to be able to use them in their independent writing.

The children have also shown determination and willpower in maths – trying to solve difficult problems and being able to explain their reasoning. Maths is not easy, but they are all trying their best. In general, most of the children need to learn to better show their thinking – *how* they solved the problem, and this is something we will be working on next year.

In art, Mrs Cannon has helped the children to create three Tudor portraits each, the second and third both scaled down from the original portrait. They look amazing! The Tudor houses are also all looking great, although some are not quite finished yet. Mrs Cannon was very specific in her expectations and ensured the children showed off certain skills, whilst designing and making their houses.

Holiday homework:

Why don't you try some of these?

- Watch a Christmas film
- Enjoy a hot chocolate with marshmallows
- Give someone some of your time
- Visit someone you haven't seen for a while
- Write a thank you letter
- Go for a long walk
- Go ice skating
- Give used toys to a Charity
- Bake a cake
- Have a lie-in
- Play a board game
- Have a pyjama day (I know I will!)

Biscuits!

Thank you for the enormous bag of biscuits that were left for all the teachers in the staffroom! Very thoughtful and gratefully received!

Looking ahead to 2018

We will be learning about 'The Victorians' and 'Earth and Space' in Term 3, and we will, of course, look forward to our trip to France later on in the year.

Star and Citizen of the week:

The children are all stars and Citizens this week! They are an amazing bunch and you should all be very proud of them!