

Year 6 news

Term 1, Week 8

A snapshot of our week



Stars of the week

Science:

This week, we learnt about refraction. The children did an investigation to see what happens when you put objects into a more dense medium (we used water). They found that the object seemed magnified; this is because the rays travel at a slightly different speed.

English:

This week, the children planned and wrote a set of instructions explaining how to trap a creature. We re-capped how to structure instructions and what needs to be included in the writing. The children remembered that they need imperative verbs, time conjunctions and adverbs. Later in the week, the children wrote a persuasive advert using powerful and convincing language.

Maths:

*This week, we learnt about the order of operations. The children found out that they can refer to it either as: **BODMAS**, or **BIDMAS**. Although it may sound tricky, the children took it in their stride and worked very well, showing great understanding. Later in the week, we practiced strategies for how to work out calculations mentally. This proved quite tricky.*

RE:

We continued our work about Creation this week. The children considered why the creation story (Genesis 1) is important for Christians. They also debated who the story is written for and why. We compared the Christians' beliefs to those of Hindus and the children also wrote about their own beliefs. We also spoke about what kind of text some Christians believe Genesis 1 is and what the context might be. We searched the text for clues and evidence - this was not an easy task, but the children persevered.

Half term homework:

- Watch a movie
- Read a book
- Run through some autumn leaves
- Call a relative for a catch-up
- Enjoy a hot chocolate
- Tidy your room (!)
- Bake something delicious

Whatever you do, have a lovely half term. I shall look forward to seeing you all on Monday 2nd November.

Teacher of The Week:

Annabelle delivered a great presentation about The Isle of Wight. She spoke clearly and confidently, and it was apparent that she had put a lot of effort into making the PowerPoint presentation. The children enjoyed the activity at the end - a timed colouring competition! Well done Annabelle!

Reading Comprehension:

*The children read a text about **Black History Month**, before answering questions about it. They all learnt something new and answered the questions very well. There was also a good debate about some of the facts they learnt.*