



It was lovely to walk the school during Enrichment time on Tuesday. The children were chatting, creating, smiling and enjoying themselves. It is a great opportunity for the children to make new friends and play alongside children in other classes. Clubs ranged from German, Lego, Science, Story, Yoga to dodgeball. We look forward to introducing some new opportunities next half-term.

Next week we will be launching our Rights Respecting work in school and introducing the words 'Duty Bearers' and 'Rights Holders'. More to follow very soon!

As always, enjoy your weekend and thank you for your continued support at Ditton Lodge.

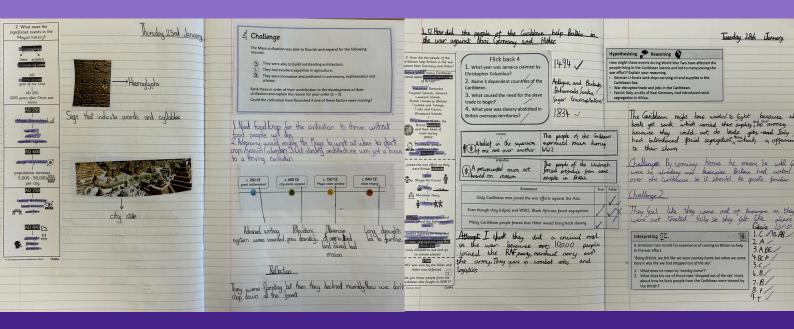




This week our class spotlight is Year Two

Year 2 have come to the end of our look at the Great Fire of London. We have discussed in great detail the cause and effects of the fire and its repercussions that continue to affect the way we erect buildings and fight fires today. This term, we have been comparing England and Kenya in geography. We have studied the differences and similarities in both human and physical features of both countries. The largest tribe in Kenya is the Maasai and they are known for being proud and courageous warriors. In science, we have thought about the suitability of different materials to make objects according to their properties. We were able to use our knowledge, to select materials that are waterproof to design a coat for use in bad weather. If you could choose one material to make all of the objects in the classroom, which material would it be? In dance, we have been learning to keep count and create a sequence of moves.





This week our subject spotlight is History

This week, Year 1 have been learning about what shops were like in the past as part of our topic of 'Changes within living memory'. The children were fascinated to learn that a long time ago, shops used old tills and money and that there were no cards or online shopping. In Year 2, we have been studying the effects of the Great Fire of London. Sir Christopher Wren designed buildings made from materials which were less flammable and the streets of London became wider to prevent fire spreading so quickly. The children in Year 3 have been learning about the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age. We are comparing the different periods and looking at how they developed over time. Year 4 have been learning about the Vikings. We are focusing on what life was like for the Vikings, when they invaded Britain and where they settled. In year 5, after completing our topic of Ancient Greece, we are now learning about the Maya civilisation. We are discovering where they lived and what the significant events in the Maya's history were. Year 6 have started our new topic 'The Empire Windrush'. We have been finding out about the history of the Caribbean islands and how the Caribbean people helped Britain in WW2 but were not treated fairly.

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House Points

This Week's House Points Winner is:

Palace House - 223

Tattersalls House - 190

Severals House - 147

Hyperion House - 118





Attendance



This week's Year Group Attendance

Reception: 91% Year 1 - 92.9% Year 2 - 99.33%

Year 3 - 97.7% Year 4 - 93.33% Year 5 - 97.8%

Year 6 - 97.8% Whole School Attendance - 95.69%





Diary Dates

Tuesday 4th February - Year 4 Forest School
Tuesday 11th February - Year 6 Forest School
February Half Term - Monday 17th - Friday 21st February
Tuesday 25th February - Year 5 Forest School
Tuesday 4th March - Year 1 Forest School
Tuesday 11th March - Vision Screening for Reception
Tuesday 11th March - Year 2 Forest School
Week Beginning 17th March - Year 5 Bikeability
Tuesday 18th March - Year 3 Forest School
Tuesday 25th March - Year 4 Forest School
Tuesday 1st April - Whole School Forest School
Friday 4th April - Last day of Term