



WINHILLS

Year 6

Fortnightly Newsletter

Maths

Over the past few weeks, the children have been working hard on developing understanding of algebra. This has included learning how to write expressions and formulae, as well as understanding how to substitute letters for numbers. This learning has been complimented by further arithmetic sessions, where the children are consolidating their methods for all four operations, including using them with fractions. We hope the children continue to learn their times tables as this is having a huge impact on the success the children are having in this area.

English

The children are really enjoying our class book, 'Letters from the Lighthouse', following the lives of two evacuees living in Devon. We have used this as a stimulus for a range of writing, including diaries, letters, persuasive pieces and descriptions. During this time, the children have continued to develop their SPaG knowledge and have worked hard to apply this to their writing.

Science

Our current topic is on Animals including Humans, where the children have had the chance to learn more about the human body. This included a wonderful investigation where we dissected pig hearts, to get a better insight into the mechanics and workings of a heart. Even though a few were reluctant at first, the children really enjoyed the session. Since then, we have been looking at the Eat Well plate and have found out about the impact of exercise on the heart.

Foundation Subjects

The children have been thoroughly enjoying their PE lessons with Mr Franco and Hunts SSP, which has included team building. They are now taking part in invasion games (football) and cross country. In our topic lessons, the children have continued to learn about the Second World War, including researching the different air craft used in the Battle of Britain in order to write comparison texts, and researching the code breakers at Bletchley Park to then crack our own codes and create posters on Microsoft Publisher. We are now making our own felt toy, in the role of an evacuee, developing design and technology skills including needle work.

Reminders

Thank you for sending the children with their PE kit each Wednesday and reminding them to bring their water bottles each day. Please also remember to send the children with a coat each day as the weather is quite changeable and sometimes quite wet and cold.

Homework: homework has changed this term. The children will complete their revision guides PLUS 30 minutes Maths Whizz and daily reading. The pages are given to the children every Wednesday and will be posted on Class Dojo should they forget. Books need to be brought to school every Monday.

Trips: this term we have a number of trips and visits to be aware of. Letters have been sent and permission needs to be granted in order for us to take your child. They will require coats, good shoes and a packed lunch on: Thursday **10th March** (Cambridge Science Trip) and Wednesday **16th March** (Duxford). We also have a WW2 day booked on 22nd March (at school) and the children can dress up in 1940s era clothes (eg as an evacuee, soldiers, etc).

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