



WINHILLS

Year 5 and Year 6

Fortnightly Newsletter

Year 5

In Maths, we have been using our addition and subtraction skills to solve one-step, two-step and multi-step word problems. This has involved visualising each problem and thinking carefully about the language and what exactly the problem is asking. Now we are working on multiplication and investigating the multiples and factors of numbers. It will be important for everyone to make sure they know their times tables really well!

In English, we have been writing some amazing poems about colours, hummingbirds and the Aurora Borealis. We have used powerful vocabulary and imagery to create pictures in readers' heads.

In Science we have finished our work on Space and Miss Smith was very impressed with how much the children remembered in the end of unit assessment. We have now started learning about 'Forces'.

Year 6

In Maths, we have been working hard on our multiplication and division skills, looking at the different mental and written methods that we can use and applying these to problems. We are now working on using all four operations to solve a range of complex problems, carefully deciding the steps and methods that would be suitable.

In English, we have started reading our class novel 'There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom', and the children are really enjoying finding out about the main character Bradley Chalkers and his life at Red Hill School. Already, we have written diaries and reports in the role of key characters, and have been analyzing the text and writing style of the author, Louis Sachar.

We are coming towards the end of our Science unit and are finishing with an investigation into mould growth, where the children are looking at which conditions lead to the most mould being grown!

Foundation Subjects

Just before half term, Year 5 took part in a DLPT sports event at Winhills with everyone playing netball, football and rounders against Middlefield, The Roundhouse and Great Staughton Primary Academies. It was a brilliant morning and Winhills played with great sportsmanship. In Harvest Assembly last week, year 5 impressed everyone by singing a brand new song in French. Well done Year 5!

Year 6 had a sports morning last week, where they competed against children from across the DLPT. Sports included netball, football and dodgeball, and the children competed excellently and came third overall! Well done!

Reminders

Please remember that all classroom doors are opened at 8.45am for the children to begin their morning work including making corrections or improvements to their previous day's learning, Accelerated reader quizzes and practising times tables.

All homework, including Maths Whizz, is set weekly. Any missed must be completed the next week. Outstanding homework will need to be completed on Reward Day in December.

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