

WINHILLS Year 5 and Year 6 Fortnightly Newsletter

Year 5

Year 5 have worked very hard over the past two weeks. In Maths we have had a focus on time. We have learned our keys facts, such as how many seconds in a minute, minutes in an hour and hours in day to be able to solve a range of challenges. Reading timetables is an area we have found a little tricky but with perseverance we feel more confident to solve timetable problems.

In English we have continued to read Floodland. We have written a diary entry in role as the main character Zoe and created our own island for her to visit. We have been practicing our spellings and handwriting, trying hard to make our letter sizing consistent.

In Science we have learnt about water resistance and friction. We designed an experiment to see which material produced the most friction using a ramp and a range of materials.

In our Rivers topic, we have looked at the main features of rivers including upper, middle and lower course, speed and various locations. The children are enjoying learning the new vocabulary.

Year 6

Year 6 have had a fantastic few weeks. In our English lessons, we have been writing persuasive letters, and have been looking at using formal language.

In our Science lessons, Mr Franco has been teaching the class about the body, with a focus on the circulatory system and how blood, oxygen and nutrients are transported around the body.

In topic lessons, we have been looking at Ordnance Survey maps; we have explored how the grids are used, what the symbols represent, and impact of rivers upon where towns and cities are located. We have also been starting our transition work, which will be continued at Ernulf and Longsands in September. In Maths, we are looking at Spirals, and have created a number of mathematical spirals linked to the Fibonacci sequence. In English, we are going to be writing a descriptive piece based on an island.

Additionally, we have been working hard to learn our lines and practice scenes ready for our end of year production, The Pirates of the Curry Bean.

Foundation Subjects

Year 5 were fantastic during their DLPT Sports morning. They all participated and showed good sportsmanship in a range of activities including dodgeball, rounders and multi-skills. We have also enjoyed learning how to create underwater animations on Scratch.

Year 6 have enjoyed the range of PE lessons they have been involved with including sessions at Ernulf on Monday and hockey with the Hunts SSP on Fridays. We also took part in our inter-trust sports morning with the other DLPT schools, and the children enjoyed rounders, dodgeball and multiskills sessions.

Year 5 and 6 were also lucky enough to spend time working with Mr Cornell, our resident artist, looking at drawing

Reminders

<u>PE kit:</u> Please ensure PE kits are in school everyday, as there are opportunities on most days to get outside. Alongside this, it is essential your child has a sunhat and named water bottle in school <u>everyday</u>.

Y5 Homework: a reminder that English homework is set on a Wednesday and needs to be returned the following Monday. All home needs to be completed before the end of term reward day.

End of year play: tickets are now available for our play, The Pirates of Curry Bean, from the office. These performances regularly sell out, so please confirm your tickets so you don't miss out.





