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Year 6's Blog

Welcome to Year 6's phenomenal blog. ☺

In Maths, we started a new topic about Fractions. Firstly we made a mind map (like we always do at the beginning of every new topic) and included key words like: mixed f, numerator, denominator, improper f, equivalent f, times tables, common factors, whole factors, unit, percentages, etc. We used a fraction wall to simplify some fractions. For example, $\frac{35}{40}$ would be $\frac{7}{8}$. We also used factors to simplify f. (f = fractions)

In English, we wrote a story about being a refugee and moving into a camp. We used some information from a different lesson to add some more detail. We had to add some emotion and a few other techniques. My character was named Muna and she was a refugee from Serbia. She had about 10 minutes to pack up her stuff and leave her house. She didn't get to say any goodbye to no one at all, not even her grandmother. We have been, recently, learning about homophones. Homophones are a group of words that have the same sounds but different spellings and meanings. We used the homophones in sentences and had some turns of saying them.

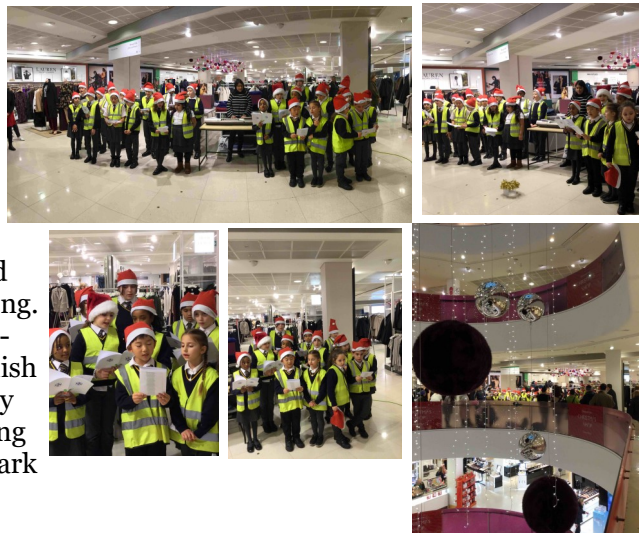
In Geography, we have been learning about biomes. Biomes are areas of the planet with similar climates, landscapes, animals and plants. We learnt about the different biomes which are: Tundra, Taiga, Deciduous Forest, Coniferous Forest, Grasslands, Savannah, Desert, and Rainforest. We used an atlas to find different places on the earth –using coordinates. We made posters about the biomes and used the chrome books. Some of included graphs which we got a dojo for. Today we learned about the human impact on earth and also started a poster about Africa's situation with the USA (and especially European countries) dumping second-hand clothes into their beaches. We watched a video about it and took some notes.

In RE we have been planning and writing the nativity story in the point of view of one of the angels attending Jesus's birth. We had to use the rule of 3, amazing adjectives, cliff hangers, metaphors and fronted adverbials. We had 3 lessons with Miss Putterill and today was the final lesson. We had to re draft and re write it in our books so it can be used in the K2 nativity

Choir Trip

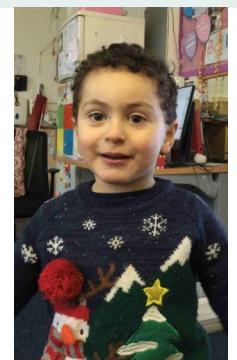
On Tuesday, we -year 6, year 5, year 4, year 3 and year 2- went to Peter Jones. We had some Santa/ Christmas hats on and we looked very stylish. We went on a train to Sloane Square and walked to the big shopping centre. A man name Mr Ben, took us to put our coats away and showed us to where we would be singing. Our carols included: Calypso Carol, Silent night (German, English and Spanish version), Good King Wenceslas, Happy Christmas, Merry Christmas, Ding dong merrily on high, Away in a manger, Hark the Herald and our Medley.

By your favourite Year 6s Sara and Lillymae!



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- Monday 18th December- 2pm, Pantomime in school for pupils
- Tuesday 19th December—10am, EYFS and KS1 Nativity in our school hall for nursery and reception parents
- Wednesday 20th December- 10am, EYFS and KS1 Nativity in our school hall for Y1 and Y2 parents
- Tuesday 19th December- Chamber-Musicbox Christmas Concert in St Cuthbert church - school choir taking part.



Mehiedine YN "We practised singing Silent Night and Starry Night for our Nativity show."

"The angel said, 'Don't be afraid, Mary. God is honouring you. Look! You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you will name him Jesus.'" Luke 1:30-31

Mesbah Y3

"We went to the Kensington Palace. We met a lady dressed as Queen Victoria. She showed us around her house. Then we also participated in some acting."



Year 4's Blog

Welcome to our astonishing blog!



In English we did our end of term assessments. We answered comprehension questions, ordering events, completing sentences, and spellings.

In RE, for our class worship we learnt about 'All about me'. We made a mind map of the Year 4 class. We wrote our school communities, religious communities, churches, city and counties. We realised that we are all unique and different. Still we are friends and respect, care for, and nurture each other.

In History we have created a time line to show the Viking invasion of Britain. We cut out picture cards and put them in order of earliest to latest. It started around 787 AD when the Vikings arrived in Britain and attacked the monastery at Lindisfarne, in Northumbria. The last event was the battle of Hastings, when King Harold, the last Anglo-Saxon King, where he was killed.

In Art, a few weeks ago

we all went to the V&A museum and explored Islamic Art. We looked at different patterns and colours of shapes that have symmetry.

Then we discussed our visit to the museum and made our own tiles inspired by our trip. We also transferred the designs to a piece of fabric. *By Neimah and Raya*

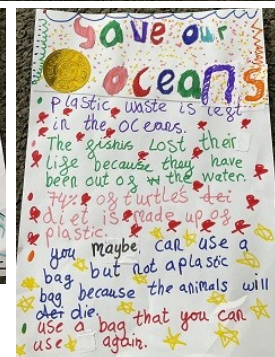
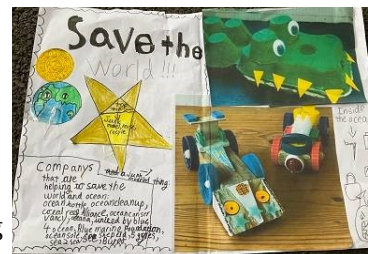


Head Teacher's Letter

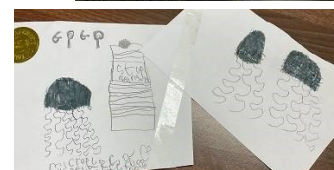
Dear St Cuthbert children and parents,

Thank you Mehdi and Lymar, our two GPGP (Great Pacific Garbage Patch) champions who, with their fantastic presentation last week, inspired some of our pupils to create excellent and informative posters advertising the damage plastic is doing to our world!

We are so impressed with the recall of facts evidenced in the posters, and know that these in turn will inspire others to take action against plastic pollution!



Heading into our final week of autumn term, there has been much preparation for exciting planned Christmas events. Nativity rehearsals, singing rehearsals, Carol singing at Peter Jones and a delicious Christmas Dinner yesterday have kept us happily busy! A big thank you to Gina and her kitchen team for providing a fabulous Christmas dinner and to Julie, Stephanie and their team of helpers for organising the hall décor, crackers, and juice! A great team effort and so much appreciated by the pupils.



We have kindly also had other generous donations of time and gifts from governors, staff and parents towards our Christmas festivities - thank you! And we are incredibly thankful to Sarah and Beverley at Sainsburys who donated four large bags of healthy food for our St Cuthbert pupils!



In closing, a reminder of our events next week:

Classical Christmas concert with our St Cuthbert choir on Tuesday 19th December, St Cuthbert church. Booking essential via this link (children go free but must be booked in via this link too)

<https://www.tickettailor.com/events/chambermusicbox/1044848>



Our **Nativity performances**, Tuesday 10am and Wednesday 10am in our school hall.

With best wishes for a restful weekend,

Miss Putterill and the St Cuthbert Teaching Team



Good Samaritan

Cole from Year 6 is this week's Good Samaritan for confidently helping a staff member with technology.



Year 5's Blog

Welcome to Year 5s Glorious blog, IN Maths we have been learning about how to measure and convert time, seconds, minutes and hours.

We multiply each by 60 to get the minutes and hours. We also looked at the minutes and hours that are in a day, a week, a month and a year. Then explored what a leap year is- it's when a year has 366 day instead of 365. It comes every 4 years.

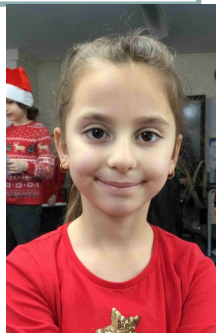
In History we've been recapping about what we learned over the past few weeks. We made a table about what punishments from different periods such as Anglo Saxons, Tudors, Romans and Victorians. One of the punishments we looked at was called the scold's Bridle (The Brank. This is used for so people learn not to gossip. It's a metal brace that covers the mouth which will make it difficult to speak.

In Art we've completed a workshop with Miss Lydia. We were challenged to draw our self-portraits in the style of a famous artist named Elizabeth Catlett. Elizabeth Catlett was an African American sculpture. In most of her portraits she used black and white. She also loved using pastels to blend different colours together. We then wrote our reflections on what we made. On Tuesday a few of the Year 5 and 6 went on a trip to Peter Jones to sing Christmas carols. When we got there, there were lot of people doing their shopping. Then when we started singing and more people came to watch us and some even joined in with the singing. We also raised money for our school foundation. It was an amazing fun in spite the rain on the way back. *By Nazim and Sobhan*



Ahmad YR "I made my card

with glitter. We are going to sell it at the Christmas fair."



Congratulations to our Football team!

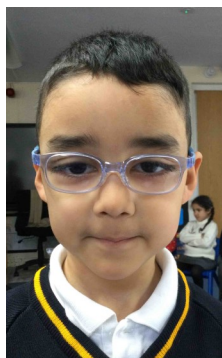
We came 4th out of the teams in the south borough. Here is the Year 5 & 6 football team at the semi final at Marlborough Primary school.

Amazingly detailed - Year 6's Geography display about the continents and the time-zones.



Anatole Y1 "We are practising our show. Next Tuesday and Wednesday we are going to sing for parents."

Talia Y3 "In Art we made self-portraits. We used mirrors and paint after we did the details in pencil."



Jacob Y1 "In Maths we are learning about 3D and 2D shapes. The difference is one is flat the other one is not."



Year 3's beautiful RE display exploring the true meaning of Christmas.

Joanna Y2 "I am the Christmas star in our play. I don't speak but I can sing along."



Ahmed Y2 "In English we wrote instructions for how to make cookies for the Christmas fair."

This Week's Attendance

Class	Attendance
Y3	98%
Y2	97%
Y5	97%
Y1	96%
Y6	96%
Y4	95%
YR	89%
YN	85%
Total	94%



STAR LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to you all!

YN Daiyla	For singing enthusiastically during Nativity practice.
YR Jahzel	For his enthusiastic performance in the Nativity play.
Y1 Jai	For showing kindness and comforting his friends.
Y2 Ghaidaa	For flourishing in her gGography lesson.
Y3 Tala	For sharing her ideas during the trip to Kensington Palace.
Y4 Neimah	For applying her learning from the V&A trip to create her own fabric tile.
Y5 Millie	For achieving well in Maths assessments despite being unwell.
Y6 Ammar	For writing an excellent paragraph about the life of a refugee.



PRESENTATION HOTSHOTS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to you all!

YN Emily S	For always following Nursery's rules and being a role model.
YR Rayan	For being courageous and attempting the homework challenge.
Y1 Nicola	For creating a 3D model of a house in a local area.
Y2 Kylo	For creating a edible 3D model of the London Eye.
Y3 Christina	For reading daily and writing detailed comments.
Y4 Sarah	For always completing her diary.
Y5 Michael	For a well-written creative piece.
Y6 Sumaiya	For writing fantastic comments in her Reading Record.

DOUBLE PARKING

Please can parents respect our request not to double-park at drop-off and pick-up times. This creates danger for our pupils and blocks exits and entrances for residents. If this issue persists, the residents will take action by asking the council to block the road.

Puzzle Time

12 Days of Christmas

DIRECTIONS: Find and circle the vocabulary words in the grid. Look for them in all directions including backwards and diagonally.



CALLING BIRDS	GOLDEN RINGS	PEAR TREE
CHRISTMAS	LAYING	PIPERS
DAYS	LEAPING	PIPING
DRUMMERS	LORDS	SWANS
DRUMMING	MAIDS	SWIMMING
FRENCH HENS	MILKING	TURTLE DOVES
GEESE	PARTRIDGE	TWELVE

There will be **exciting prizes**, for the right answer to this week's puzzle handed in on **Thursday**. Please write your name and answer on a separate piece of paper. **Good luck!**

Solution for last week's puzzle



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