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Year 5 Newsletter

Dear Parents

This week in maths, the children found the area of rectangles and compound shapes. We realised that with more tricky dimensions, the children needed to use long multiplication, which they hadn't yet been taught, so they also learnt how to do those trickier multiplication calculations. In English, we read a lot of our class text and wrote a set of instructions for how to catch a pigeon. We also did some reading comprehension tasks and spelling work. Our history lesson this week focused on The Mary Rose. We found out about this famous Tudor ship, how it was sunk and how it was eventually raised again. The children looked at pictures of artefacts which were found on the wreckage, to see what they could teach us about what life onboard had been like. The children also designed a Tudor money pouch, which they will be making in Design Technology.

Woodland Learning

On Wednesday morning, Year 5 had a great Woodland Learning session with Year 6. They played so creatively, for example, climbing trees, making dens and weaving with sticks and string.





Teacher of the Week

This week, Ryan was a fabulous teacher. He taught everyone about cycling with great knowledge. It was fascinating to learn about all the events he is involved in and we enjoyed looking at all his special equipment, including his bike.



Singing Performances

I was so sad to be out of school on a course on Thursday, so I missed the singing performances. I have seen photos and videos though and was told by other staff that all the children were wonderful! Congratulations Ava, Lilah and all the choir members. Thank you very much Mrs Smith too!

Home Learning

It was great to see all the parents and children at our consultation meetings this week. The two most common themes, were that children needed to read more and practise their times tables, until they can instantly recall multiplication and division facts. Therefore, for home learning this week, in addition to the spelling activity, I have given the children a multiplication facts sheet to complete by next Thursday please.

Best wishes,

Louise Grinstead