

6th October 2023

Year 5 Newsletter

Dear Parents

This week in maths, the children solved some more addition and subtraction word problems. We then started our next unit of learning about statistics, reading line graphs and organising data in frequency tables.

In English, we read our class book set in Tudor times, where our young, poor hero had to joust against the champion joustier of France. Having acted out the events (with some hilarity) the children wrote really detailed, creative recounts. This took a few lessons, but the results were really excellent.

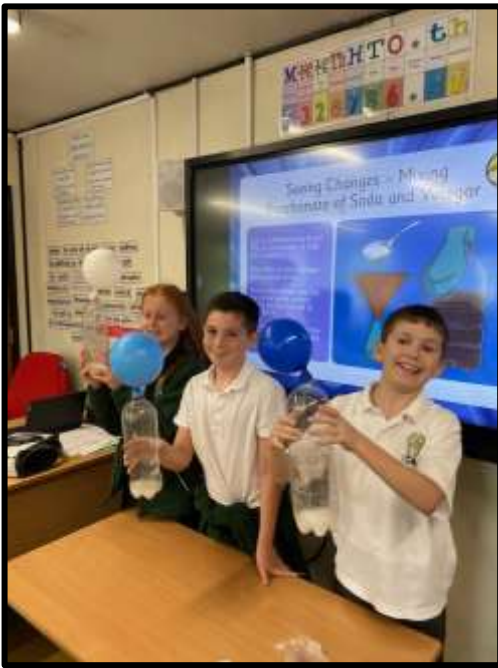


In science, we carried out some activities to investigate irreversible changes.



First, we fried an egg, then we mixed warm milk and vinegar to create a new material called casein plastic. Finally, we put vinegar in a plastic bottle and filled a balloon with bicarbonate of soda. We stretched the balloon over the neck of the bottle and let the bicarbonate of soda tip into the vinegar. The chemical reaction between the two materials created

carbon dioxide, which rather dramatically inflated the balloon!



Harvest Festival

The whole school celebrated Harvest Festival on Thursday, singing songs together and individually as classes. It was a really joyful occasion. Many thanks for all your contributions of food.

Teacher of the Week

This week's teacher was Bradley. He confidently presented his PowerPoint about Pokemon, answered the children's many questions and gave them a quiz, which they certainly enjoyed.



Home Learning

The children have until Friday 13th October to complete their coats of arms - I am really looking forward to seeing them. Can I remind you that the children should also be reading every night? Please encourage your child to read and to record the pages that they have read in their Reading Record Book, so I know that they have been reading and don't nag them unnecessarily!

A reminder...

We have our next Woodland Learning session on Wednesday 11th October.

Best wishes,

Louise Grinstead