

# Year 6 news

Term 6, Week 1



Bright Spark: Fin & Phoebe

Stars: Harriet & Joseph

## English:

We have been working on reading comprehension this week. The children have been answering specific content-style questions such as: *Find and Copy*, *What is described by...?* and *What is your impression?* It is important that the children keep reading good quality texts daily – at school and at home, as children can struggle with understanding the questions otherwise – for example, ‘*What is another word for significant?*’ If the children do not read regularly – and books of high quality – they will not be able to answer this style of question. Please support and encourage your son/daughter to read – and read aloud – at home.

## Maths:

We have been revisiting decimals, fractions, percentages and mental calculations to keep this fresh in our minds. We have also been working through reasoning questions together. This has been beneficial to the children as often they can get to an answer but not be sure of *how* they got there. Many questions require the children to explain their thinking.

## Computing:

The children used some of our computing time to practise their times tables using TT Rockstars. They then continued using Scratch to build a game with different variables. Some children also finished their biography about Charles Darwin

## Science:

We have started our new topic, Animals and their habitats. We started by looking at some of the vocabulary we will be using this term: classify, amphibians, exoskeleton, vertebrate, invertebrate and omnivore amongst others. The children classified animals according to land/sea, how many legs they have, what they eat and also what kind of skeleton they have.

## Italian & Latin:

In Italian, the children translated sentences involving shapes.

In Latin, the children read a letter about a Roman soldier – which they translated. They learnt the different Latin names for the different soldiers.

## Woodland Learning:

The children thoroughly enjoyed their Woodland learning session on Thursday. The weather was lovely and the children had a great time playing.



## A message from Mrs Newington:

On 12/6 from 7-8:30 pm the Local Authority will be running an online session for Y6 parents about secondary transition and how to support their children with this. Please add the date to your diaries, should this be of interest to you. Mrs Newington will then send out information once she knows more. Last years' parents found it a useful event.