



WINHILLS

Year 6

Fortnightly Newsletter

Maths

We have been preparing for the transition to Secondary school by continuing to keep all arithmetic skills sharp—the children are now very fluent in most of the calculations expected for the end of Year Six. We have also been revisiting some topics in a little more depth; last week, we looked at ratio in different real life contexts and this week we have focused on co-ordinates in all four quadrants.

English

We are now focusing on writing during our English lessons and have completed or started several pieces of work in a variety of genres to show the range of skills the children have learnt during the year. They have written twisted fairy tales (which they will read to the Key Stage One children after half term), reports about lions in the distinctive style of David Attenborough and have planning and writing information reports about St Neots.

Science

Over the past few weeks, the children have finished their studies on 'Animals including Humans' where they have focused on the human body and leading a healthy lifestyle. Our recent lessons have looked at the impact and importance of sleep, and the children have designed information posters about this. Our next topic is Evolution, where the children will be looking at the work of Charles Darwin and his theory of evolution.

Foundation Subjects

Since finishing their SATs tests, the children have had the opportunity to do more learning in other curriculum areas.

In Art, they have started a new unit of work by improving their drawing skills and creating small squares of 'zentangle' patterns (an abstract drawing made using repetitive patterns). This has progressed to designing a full hand image using zentangle patterns.

In PSHE, we have started to focus on preparing the children for Secondary school with a focus on respectful relationships (including online, with friends, peers, adults and other adults). We have helped the children to understand that respect is two-way and that how we treat others is how we can expect to be treated.

The children going to Longsands have already met one of their teachers this week and staff from Ernulf will be visiting school soon after half term.

In PE, the children have continued to develop their skills in cricket, and also enjoyed our first DLPT Trust Event in two years. The children competed against other Year 6 classes from across the local trust schools, and took part in netball, rounders and athletics activities.

Reminders

Transition days for Longsands and Ernulf: As you have already been notified, the children moving to Secondary schools in St Neots (Ernulf and Longsands) will spend Tuesday 28th June at their new schools. They will need to go straight there in the morning. The children who are going to other schools can attend Winhills on that day and visit their new schools when invited. The evening before (Monday 27th June), both schools will be hosting information evening for new parents where you will be able to ask any questions about moving to Year 7.

Homework: For the next few weeks, we would like the children to focus on their reading. Diaries will be checked every day. New homework will be issued after half term.

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