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THE HEIGHTS HIGHLIGHTS

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We've had another fabulous week - helped by the weather which has been crisp, dry and the days have been a delight!

Reception

In Reception this week, we have loved learning about Chinese New Year. We've learned to recall the story of the Animal Race and have made cards using Chinese writing. We also had great fun making Chinese Lanterns and were really pleased with how our scissor skills have improved. In Maths, we've been learning about the different number bonds to 10.



Year 1

In Year 1 this week we are continuing to enjoy our Space topic and have developed our Space Booklets in English whilst learning facts about Mars, Jupiter and Saturn. In Maths, we've been focussing on capacity and learning about what it means. We had great fun making our own puddles and potions and we're setting up a market stall in class so we can closely investigate plants, fruit and vegetables as part of our Science topic.

Year 2

This week in Year 2 we have worked on our non-chronological report on Chocolate and what we need to consider to write a successful report. In Maths, we have continued to look at division and the relationship between division and multiplication and how to check our calculations using the inverse method. In Science, we have been learning about hygiene and the importance of washing hands. In Topic, we have followed the journey of the chocolate bean and how it ends up in a chocolate bar.



Year 3

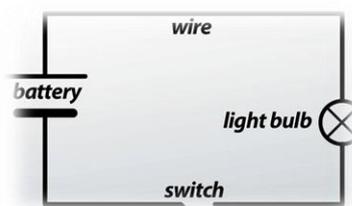
This week we role played being hunters as part of our Stone Age topic. We looked at the types of food they might have hunted and gathered and considered the weapons they might have used. In Maths, we've been adding pairs of two digit numbers on a number line and looking at strategies for subtracting near multiples of 10. It was so nice to be outside for PE this week without the rain - here's a photo of us practising our footwork skills for netball down at the tennis courts with Performance Sports.

Year 4

We've been writing up our myths this week, concentrating on including expanded noun phrases. We thoroughly enjoyed chatting to the guest who came to talk to us about Buddhism in the modern world and building up our resilience through block coding in code.org. We've linked our Roman topic to Dance and have been creating movement phases to represent the Colosseum, the animals and the gladiators.

Year 5

This week we wrote a diary entry inspired by the Apollo II moon landings and in Art, we have been experimenting with chalks in preparation for our final space picture. We conducted a mini investigation into streamlined shapes using plasticine falling through water. We then explained the effects of water resistance on moving objects using technical vocabulary. In Geography, we've been using the 8 compass points to describe routes on a map and in Maths, we've been measuring and calculating the perimeter and area of shapes.



Year 6

This week we've been writing persuasive adverts, selling new land on the American frontier. We've concentrated on accurately using apostrophes for contraction and possession and in Reading we've continued with our class text. In Maths, we're still working on area and perimeter of shapes and in Science we've taken the circuits we built last week and learnt how to draw scientific circuit diagrams including the correct symbols for light bulbs, motors and buzzers.



Thank you

I would like to extend a huge thank you to the PTFA for funding our new sensory bubble light tube - containing it's very own fish! The children (and staff) are mesmerised by it!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

School Disco at St Andrew's Church Hall (Details to follow)	Friday 14 th February Y1&2 - 5.00-6.00pm Y3&Y4 - 6.15-7.15pm Y5&Y6 - 7.30-8.30pm
Half Term	17 th - 21 st February 2020
Book Fayre	25 th February - 3 rd March 2020
Year 2 Trip to the Living Rainforest	Monday 2 nd March 2020
Year 5 Trip to Winchester Science Centre	Tuesday 3 rd March 2020
Parent Consultations	Tuesday 10 th March Thursday 12 th March Times to be confirmed.
Year 4 Trip to Ufton Court	Monday 16 th March 2020
Living Eggs	Monday 23 rd March 2020
Year 3 Trip to the Earth Trust	Tuesday 31 st March 2020
Year 5 Information Workshop re: Year 6 & SATS	Tuesday 28 th April 7pm

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