



Glasshouses CP School

Class Weekly Newsletter

Friday 10th November 2017

News from the Practising Professors

We have had a great week in Practising Professors this week. On Monday, half of our class enjoyed another Forest School lesson. They collected sticks from the cricket field and school surroundings and managed to start their own fires which they cooked marshmallows on and warmed water for hot chocolate. "The best lesson ever!" was a popular response to the afternoon.

On Tuesday, we started to look closely at a persuasive piece of writing which we will be working on over the next couple of weeks. The children really impressed me with their knowledge of grammar in literacy this week and we learnt more grammatical terms. We also painted our clay poppies which look amazing and these became a part of the remembrance service on Thursday, where the children did us proud when reading aloud and laying their poppies.

On Wednesday, we had an e-safety day and the children produced some fantastic posters to be displayed in the ICT suits as well as some informative leaflets. On Friday, we finished our David Hockney art works which look great. We also tried the method of bar modelling to tackle some problem solving in maths.



News from Working Wolves

The Working Wolves have had a busy and varied week. The E-Safety Day was an excellent opportunity for the children to learn more about how to keep themselves safe online and they produced some fantastic information booklets all about the topic. The children were very thoughtful and respectful during our Remembrance Day Assembly and they were keen to talk about their own relatives who had fought in the wars once we were back in the classroom.



We have been tackling problem-solving and reasoning questions within our multiplication and division topic in numeracy and the children have really impressed us with their ability to understand and explain mathematical concepts in more detail. We have also begun practising our KIRFs daily as a lesson starter. The children work in pairs to practise speeding up their ability to recall these facts. Please do have a look at the Conker Maths website at home to practise as it is really good and simple to use. The web link is: <http://www.conkermaths.org/cmweb.nsf/pages/kirfs.html>



In literacy we have been continuing looking at poetry and have been researching rainforest animals in preparation for writing our own collection of poems. We have also been looking at the Michael Morpurgo novel 'Running Wild' and thinking about our own story writing.

The children had a very thoughtful RE lesson in which we considered the fact that some questions that we may have about the world are difficult to answer definitively and that some things may seem mysterious. The children wrote some lovely questioning poems around this subject. They also had a lot of fun combining music and geography and painting the clay poppies. What a busy week!



News from Talented Trolls

The children in Class 1 have been practising place value and addition and subtraction. In Literacy we have been writing letters about our Remembrance service on Thursday thinking about full stops, capital letters and adjectives to make their writing interesting. We are so impressed with all the hard work!

We had a special remembrance service on Thursday with our visitors from the Royal British Legion and we all painted our own special poppies. Please take a look around school for the lovely displays.