

3rd October 2025

Willow

I can't believe that we are now into October already! The time is certainly passing quickly and your children have continued to work hard over the last two weeks. They are now really settled and have adapted so well to the many routines that we have in place. I am so proud of every child in my class! The children were treated to a very enjoyable performance of Jungle Book on Tuesday afternoon when the Partake Theatre Company visited school. Lots of songs and audience participation meant that everyone was engaged throughout. A truly wonderful experience for all!

Our topics are now well underway and the children are really enjoying all of the different areas of learning. A firm favourite this week has been our science investigation. We have been investigating which foods contain the most fat. The children tested a range of snacks by placing small samples onto paper and looking for grease marks left behind. Foods that contained more fat made a bigger translucent stain. We found that the sugar paper was most absorbent and showed this well. As the children were so excited about this, for homework I would love the children to try this simple test at home with other foods (for example: bread, apple, crisps, cheese, or any safe foods you have available) and record which ones left the largest mark. Please remind them to use only a very small piece of food and crush if needed then place it on the sugar paper to observe.

Maths: In Maths we have now completed our unit on place value.

Year 4

- Find 1, 10, 100, 1,000 more
- Find 1, 10, 100, 1,000 less
- Number line to 10,000
- Estimate on a number line to 10,000
- Compare numbers to 10,000
- Order numbers to 10,000
- Round to the nearest 10
- Round to the nearest 100

Year 5

- 10/100/1,000/10,000/100,000 more or less
- Partition numbers to 1,000,000
- Number line to 1,000,000
- Compare and order numbers to 100,000
- Compare and order numbers to 1,000,000
- Round to the nearest 10, 100 or 1,000
- Round to the nearest 1,000
- Round within 100,000
- Round within 1,000,000

English: The children have been really enjoying our text 'RED'. The children have remembered the story well and have been focusing on sentence structures. We have learnt how to build a description by using:

- Body actions
- Personification
- Repetition
- Power of 3 senses
- Adverbs at the beginning
- Prepositions



I have been really pleased with the children's efforts.

Reading:

Please aim to read with your child at least three times a week and continue to sign it in their diary. I will now continue to be checking diaries every Friday and will award stickers and Take Care Tokens as a reward for regular reading.

- P.E. – Children will require an outdoor kit for Tuesday and indoor kit for Thursday.
- Parents evening – 15th and 16th October
- Harvest in Church – 23rd Harvest

Reminder children who are wearing tights as part of their uniform, need a spare pair of socks to change into for P.E. sessions – thank you! One final plea from me, please can you label ALL clothing in school.

That's it for now! I hope you have a fun weekend!

Miss Fisher