

Spring 1 - Year 4

It's been another busy half term in Year 4!

Maths

In maths we have been continuing our work on Multiplication and Division. We have been learning different rules to help us to answer multiplication and division questions and using place value counters and number lines to try out different techniques. We have been multiplying and dividing by 10 and 100 and have been multiplying and dividing 2 digit and 3 digit numbers by 1 digit.

We have also been working very hard on our times tables and continue to practise these regularly.

English

In English, we have been reading 'Our Tower' by Joseph Coelho and we have really enjoyed this book. We have been working on using the progressive and present perfect tense correctly, using the correct punctuation for direct speech and including fronted adverbials in our writing. We have had many writing opportunities this half term and have also written a diary entry, dialogue and a letter.

For our poetry unit, we learnt the poem 'Why did you come here?' by Trina Graves. We planned and wrote our own versions of this poem using rhyming words and performed to the class. We recorded ourselves reading this poem for Education Sunday and some of us even got to read our own verses out at the service.



Geography

In Geography this half term we have been finishing our learning about locational and place knowledge around the world, including the Prime Meridian and Time zones around the world. We have researched countries in tropical climates and wrote a weather report about one of these. We have also begun our learning about 2 contrasting locations - Granada in Spain and Liverpool in England.

History

In History, we have finished our learning on Anglo-Saxons by ending on a quiz. We have also started to learn about the Vikings. We have discovered why they invaded England and where they came from. By using our chronology skills, we have been able to place the main events of the time period on a timeline.

PESSPA

During PESSPA this half term, we have been learning some orienteering skills. We have followed basic maps, created our own courses and created maps for our friends to follow. In addition, we took part in some team building games which we had to think really carefully about to work as a team and succeed. We have also been practising our throwing and catching skills and have made great improvements by being resilient.



Science

In Science, we have been learning all about the human digestive system and teeth. We conducted a very interesting experiment to test the affect a range of different liquids has on our tooth enamel. We left eggs in different liquids for a few days, then a week, to see whether the liquid damaged the shell. The results were remarkable!



Art

We have been learning about the artist L S Lowry including where he lived and what inspired his paintings and drawings. We used some of his sketches for inspiration to draw our own sketches.

World Mental Health Week

For World Mental Health Week, we learned about this year's theme which was 'My Voice matters'. We came into school dressed in green to celebrate this.



Well done Year 4!

What a wonderful start to the New Year!