



Friday 11th December 2020

Prize Winners this week

Class 1: Aisha for super reading!

Class 2: Leyton for spotting possessive apostrophes and always going above and beyond in all his work.

Class 3: Cooper for growing and stretching his writing skills and a fantastic attitude to learning opportunities!

Class 4: Theo Dawson for expressive acting during poetry recital and fabulous maths!

Class 1: Class 1 this week have been busy with Christmas crafts that are in various stages of quarantine. The children are learning quickly with their phonics and reading. We still have some long phonemes to learn but we've enjoyed clapping out syllable patterns with words. Ask your child to do this with everyone's name or items around the house i.e., carpet, sofa, table etc. Thank you for supporting your child with their homework it is much appreciated. In maths we have been finding out what happens to amounts when we add one more or take one away, the children have used languages of less, more and fewer. We have also continued with repeating patterns. In science we have talked about winter and the days/daylight becoming shorter. Draw your child's attention to this as they arrive home from school as it gets dark very quickly.

Class 2: This week we have been studying stars in art with Vincent Van Gough's Starry night. In science we have been learning about gravity and conducting fair experiment tests with spinners, in maths we have been swapping numbers for Christmas symbols in algebra. In English we have been learning about apostrophes for missing letters and for ownership. Please ask your child to tell you more about all of this.

Class 3: This week in class 3 we have been using our prior learning to create independent creative stories. All of the children had a variety of ideas and have expanded their writing skills. In science we used our circuit knowledge to create wobble bots and programmed robots to practice algorithms. In art we have completed our Iron Man Modroc landscapes using different materials and landscaping to create different levels and textures. Remember to keep practising at home as we build our comprehension and multiple skills. Well done class 3!

Class 4: This week Class 4 have been busy with their maths tests and everyone has worked very hard. I have been very pleased with everyone's attainment over the term. On Wednesday, we held a STEAM day to design and build cardboard Gingerbread house models. We learned about and used budgeting, work on scale and measurement as well as building design ideas to construct our house panels just from a written plan. We explored and improved different methods of fixing our panels together. We improved our teamwork skills in our pairs and were very independent with our practical skills. We have an amazing model village in the conservatory now to house around our Christmas tree. Please see our Class 4 page on the school website to see photos of the finished houses.

Important information:

There will be no toy day on the last day of term to stop cross contamination due to covid-19. You may have heard on the news about the possibility of an INSET day on Friday 18th December. We feel that this is too short notice so school will still end at 3.15pm on Friday 18th December, as previously described. There will be a staff training day on Monday 4th January and the children will return to school on Tuesday January 5th 2021 at 8:50am.



Planning our designs, choosing suitable materials and working up our budget.



Measuring and constructing all of the panels from our written plans.

