

Literacy

This week the children used their story maps to retell the story they had made based on Oscar Got the Blame in their own words. KS1 wrote and illustrated stories in a booklet and read them out to the other children.

Phonics

Reception (Phase 2): We have been focusing on the sounds /m/ /d/ /g/ /o/ /c/ /k/ /ck/ and thinking about words that contain with these sounds. Please have a go at making words with the flashcards taken home this week. Ensure that they are kept safe in their reading folders. KS1 Phase 3: We have been looking at the phase 3 sounds /sh/ /ng/ /th/ and /ai/ reading and spelling words with these sounds. KS1 Phase 5: We have looked at the digraph ew making the /oo/ and /yoo/ sounds and the digraph oe.

Maths

We have been learning about money this week. Reception have been counting pennies and paying for fruit at the fruit shop. We also introduced the 2p coin and explained that it has the value of two pennies. Year 1 have practised counting combinations of 1p and 2p coins to find the total value. Year 2 have been making amounts up to £1 using different combinations of coins, trying to make these with the least number of coins. We have started to find change from 20p. We also recapped making o'clock and half past on analogue clocks.

Topic

In Geography we learnt about the countries in the UK and the features of these. Children matched the country with their capital city and found out about some of the landmarks and characteristics of these countries. In Science, we learnt about the three basic needs of humans and animals, these are air, food and water. We also mentioned that it is important for animals to have shelter to survive. In PSHE, the children thought about the skills involved in teamwork. They tried to complete a task using the skills they had spoken about such as listening and cooperation. In Art, the children found out about the artist Pablo Picasso. They looked at some of his paintings from his 'blue period' and compared these with other pieces of artwork using warm colours. The children mixed their own colours using powder paint and used these to portray different emotions. In RE the children learnt about what it means to belong in a Christian community. They learnt about different symbols such as the cross, candles and angels and why these are important to Christians.



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Thank you for all your contributions this week, not only for our Harvest Festival on Monday but our Macmillan Coffee morning on Friday that raised an amazing £222 for this charity. We are blessed to have such generous families as part of our school.

Find this half term's curriculum map here:

<https://www.queenswoodschool.co.uk/reception-infants>

Find Mrs Tanner's bulletin here:

<https://www.queenswoodschool.co.uk/news-and-events>

Next Week

Monday: Homework due

Tuesday: PE pm

Wednesday: Homework goes out, Swimming (children come to school in PE kits)

Thursday:

Friday: Piano am, PE pm