

Friday 30th January

Year 5 update

R.E

Topic: Galilee to Jerusalem

- The children have read the Parable of the Good Samaritan.
- Children wrote a letter to modern day Christians imagining themselves as the Good Samaritan and giving advice on how to live out the Golden rule.

Key vocabulary: Parable, Golden rule, The New law, the summary of the law.

Pre-teaching: the children will be learning about the transfiguration.

English

Focus book: The Promise by Nicola Davies

Purpose: to entertain

- Children revisited the rules on how to use and lay out dialogue within a paragraph.
- They worked in partners to use adverbials of time, place and number to create cohesion across paragraphs.
- The children have made a plan for their narrative writing next week.

Key vocabulary: dialogue, inverted commas, adverbials, cohesion.

Next week the children will be using the skills they have learned in this topic to write their own narrative.

Maths

Topic: fractions

- The children have been comparing and ordering fractions with different denominators. They have been using their knowledge of common multiples to find equivalent fractions in order to compare and order them successfully.

$$\frac{4}{6} = \frac{2}{3} \quad \boxed{<} \quad \frac{5}{6}$$

Diagram showing the conversion of $\frac{4}{6}$ to $\frac{2}{3}$ by dividing both the numerator and denominator by 2. Red annotations include 'x2' with arrows pointing to the 4 and 6, and another 'x2' with an arrow pointing to the 6.

- Children have been simplifying fractions.

Key vocabulary: ascending, descending, lowest common denominator, compare.

Pre-teaching: next week children will be ordering fractions over one, so will be building on their prior learning of improper fractions and mixed numbers.

Science

Topic: Forces and space: Earth and space

- The children have been learning about the movement of the Moon around the Earth.

Key vocabulary: first quarter moon, full moon, last quarter moon, new moon

Pre-teaching: The children will be creating models of the phases of the moon.

There is science homework set on Microsoft Teams for this week.

Watford FC

Watford FC have been coming into class each Wednesday to deliver the Joy of Moving programme. This week they were teaching the children about the Eatwell Guide and children used this to help them plan a breakfast, lunch and dinner using all the food groups and taking into account that we need larger portions of carbohydrates and fruits and vegetables. It might be worth asking your children about the meals they planned.

The children also went outside to take part in a range of activities and games that were focused on dribbling the ball in football. Please can children have joggers in school for our Wednesday Watford FC sessions as they will be going outside. Children will also need trainers as boots or pumps are not suitable for P.E sessions.

Key information:

- Thank you for your donations for the foodbank this week.
- Please can children have joggers and trainers in school each Wednesday for our Watford FC sessions.
- Next week is National Storytelling week and children will be taking part in activities in class.
- Friday 7th February is Number day with Watford FC, who will be leading activities across the school.
- Friday 13th February- end of half term, finish at 3:30 p.m.
- Friday 13th February- mufti day (children to wear their own clothes) a donation for the school, can be made via the Gateway.

Have a lovely weekend,

The Year 5 team