



Dawnay Lower Junior

Learning Update



What did we learn this week?

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Foxes

This week in fantastic Fox class, we have been little geographers, learning about the physical and human geographical features which can be seen from a bird's eye view. We then represented a bird's eye view of the school on a map with a key.

Miss Benham and Mrs White's maths groups have been learning about statistics and we have finished the week doing maths problem solving. Finally, in English, we've continued to learn about and write in the style of traditional tales... Cosi cosi iyaphela!



Otters

We have been enjoying reading some African style traditional tales and then writing our own. We have also found it interesting to learn how water travels through plants and are currently waiting for our carnations to turn blue!

In Mrs Jupp's maths group we are learning about fractions. We have been finding equivalent fractions and can now add and subtract fractions. We will continue with fractions after half term before moving on to decimals. Congratulations to the children who have been making a really good effort at learning all the times tables. It is definitely helping them in lessons.

On Friday we will be sad to say goodbye to Mrs Gilbertson for 6 weeks. She is going to Trinity School in Leatherhead for half a term. We look forward to welcoming her back to Otters class after the Easter break.



Hedgehogs

As we approach the half-way point in the school year, it's good to look back and reflect upon the journey so far – our trip to Legoland in the first half-term seems a long time ago now and the days have simply flown! However, I was struck this week by the incredible progress the children are making, especially in writing, and you can imagine how delighted I was when a visiting teacher shared how “gob-smacked” she was by the quality of writing in our Anansi stories: “Super fronted adverbials and stunning vocabulary.” – happy Mr J!

In Maths, Mr J's group have looked at problem solving in multiplication using the expanded method. This video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DD_7POWt8Sk may help you see how we have done it (but I'm sure your child could explain it too!)

Heads up!



- Groovy Greeks is the new topic after the half term break so try and enjoy some wonderful stories about myths and monsters.
- The British museum in London **is free to enter** and has wonderful exhibits from Ancient Greek, Egyptian and other
- **Have a fantastic half term and enjoying getting out and about in the beautiful spring!**

Our “Learnacy” skill :



collaboration