St Mark's Weekly Learning - "This week, we'll be...."

Week Beginning: Monday 22nd January 2024

Year 1	 In English, we will be choosing our own animal to plan and write our own versions of 'The Tiger Who Came To Tea' story. In Maths, we will be using our knowledge of number bonds to 10 to make connections and learn our number bonds to 20. We will be naming and describing the properties of different materials in Science this week. In History, we will be exploring the different types of toys that our Grandparents may have played with in the past and linking this with our Science work.
Year 2	 In maths, we will be beginning to learn about multiplication and division. We will start by looking at equal groups and the multiplication symbol. In English we will be finishing our Charlie and the Chocolate factory unit of work where the children will be describing the factory! In science, we will be completing a healthy eating plate, thinking about good food choices.
Year 3	 We will be starting a new unit in bookclub this week. We will be looking at a non-fiction text related to chocolate. We will be looking at it closely and analysing the language used within. In maths, we will be focussing on multiplying 2 digit numbers by 1 digit numbers with and without exchanges. This will be using informal methods. HeartSmart will continue to focus on the principle of 'Too Much Selfie Isn't Healthy' by looking at Winston Churchill and what he did to keep people of Britain safe during WWII.
Year 4	 This week in bookclub, we will start a new text called 'The Worst Team.' This is a poetry text about a football team being the worst in the league. Our first times tables lesson focussing on 6 x 7/ 7 x 7/ 8 x 7/ 9 x 7. We will look at ways to help remember these facts and find any connections with other times tables we know. Within our History we have been researching why the Vikings had such a bad reputation. This week we move onto challenging this Viking stereotype by looking at artefacts that would show vikings in a more positive light. We will be understanding that algorithms can be used for a number of purposes e.g. game design and animation in History.
Year 5	 In Maths, we will look at the short method for division and secure our use of this method for dividing by a single digit number. In English, we will start looking at features of diary entries and learning about Tudor life so that we can begin to write diary entries from the perspective of a Tudor child in our sentence stacking lessons. Science takes an exciting turn as we will be completing some whole class Science experiments to test out reversible and irreversible changes.
Year 6	 In maths, we will be finishing our work on proportion and ratio and moving on to our new unit which focuses on algebra. We will be exploring what natural resources are used to produce energy. Our English written work will allow children to create their own non-chronological report about polar bears.