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

Week Beginning: Monday 29th January 2024

Year 1	 In English, we are moving on to explore information books and how they are different to story books. We are learning how to write questions and use question marks and will be learning to write a fact file about a toy. In maths, we are continuing to make links with how to use our bonds to 10 to help us make our bonds to 20. We will also be using our doubles facts to spot near doubles facts. We will be developing our drawing skills in art to sketch a still life picture of our own toy.
Year 2	 In DT we will be making some healthy wraps with ingredients that the children have chosen. In English, we will be writing instructions for making our healthy wraps! Maths will be continuing to develop our multiplication skills and knowledge. In history, we will be continuing to learn about Florence Nightingale. We will be thinking about how we know so much about her when she lived such a long time ago.
Year 3	 We are starting the week with our trip to Odeon cinema, where we will be watching the new Wonka film. This will then help to inspire our writing, where we will be designing our own chocolate bars and then writing to Mr Wonka to help convince him to make it. In spelling, we will be focussing on words where the '-ey' spelling makes the 'ai' sound. We will be breaking down words containing this rule using syllables to help us. Division facts will be the aim of some of our times table sessions, focussing on the division facts linked to the 4 times table.
Year 4	 In English this week, we will be starting our sentence stacking lessons. Our unit is based on 'How to be a knight' which will set us up with the skills to write our own non-fiction text on 'How to be a Viking.' Now we have adapted a simple biscuit recipe we will be making, taste testing and evaluating our work. In History, we are making a leaflet for a Scandinavian Tourist Board to convince visitors to change their views on Vikings. We will use all our knowledge gained throughout this project.
Year 5	 In Maths, we are learning how to multiply unit, non-unit fractions and mixed number fractions by an integer. In English, we will start writing diaries from the perspective of a Tudor child in our sentence stacking lessons and spelling words with silent letters. In Computing, we are starting to film our stop motion animations inspired by Tudor lives and royalty.
Year 6	 In Maths, we will be continuing our learning on Algebra. We will explore one step and two step equations. In Geography, we will complete a final piece, drawing on all of our knowledge of Antarctica from this half term. We will have a special visitor on Monday morning who will talk to Year 6 about his recent experiences in Antarctica and will contrast this with a look at Shackleton's famous expedition on Endurance in 1914.