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

Week Beginning: Monday 4th March 2024

Year 1	 In English, we are going to be writing descriptive sentences about a train journey, thinking about the different things we might hear, see out of the window and how it feels sitting on board. We will continue to practise counting in tens in maths. We will also be partitioning numbers to 50 in tens and ones as well as representing them with the tens and ones equipment and using part whole models. In computing, we will be thinking about instructions for our rocket building. We will be finding out about other vehicles in history, such as bicycles and trains, and explore how they have changed over time.
Year 2	 In maths, we are going to be looking at volume and capacity including measuring in litres and millimetres. In English we will be starting our new unit based around the text 'The Tunnel'. We will be starting our sentence stack looking at the story! In science, we will be looking at the life cycle of a butterfly! In PE we will be continuing to learn different volleyball skills.
Year 3	 In Maths we will begin our next unit on fractions. The children will understand how to compare the size of two unit fractions (eg 1/7 and 1/3) as well as two non-unit fractions (3/7 and 6/7). In Design and Technology, the children will build on their knowledge of seasonal fruit and vegetables by tasting different fruit. They will experience sweet and sharp flavours, as well as different textures. We hope that they may even be able to try something new! In Science, the children will look closely at how muscles and bones work together, and also how muscles work in pairs. In Music, the children will progress onto using their bow to play their violin.
Year 4	 In maths, we are converting mixed numbers to improper fractions and finding the equivalent fractions on a number line. We continue to learn our 12 times tables. We continue to learn the songs for our upcoming Easter production and will start to act out the scenes. In computing, we are identifying examples of HMTL tags and understanding what changing the HTML does to alter the appearance of an object on the web.
Year 5	 In science, we will be learning all about the force of friction and learning how to use a Newton meter to measure a force. In maths, we will be rounding decimals and beginning to understand percentages. In geography, we will be looking at the economy of La Plagne and comparing it to our local economy here in Basingstoke. We also can't wait for World Book Day on Friday!
Year 6	 We continue reading the story of Rain Player to discover if the main character survives his challenge or ends up as a frog! The children will then plan and begin to write their own Maya-style tales. Maths lessons this week will involve fractions, decimals and percentages where children gain confidence and understanding to convert between each one. Our history learning will take us to the great discovery by archaeologists to King Pacal's tomb. Friday will be a day to develop a true love of reading and to share the enjoyment of a

good book with younger readers. Please remember to dress up to enjoy the day fully.