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

Week Beginning: Monday 6th May 2024

Year 1	 In Maths, we will be finding halves of shapes and amounts and introducing the ½ symbol. We will be using lots of practical resources to support our working out when we find halves of numbers. We are carefully choosing adjectives to add descriptive detail to our sentences in English. We will carry on using 'The King's Crown' story as a focus for our writing. In Science, we will study some of the trees in our school grounds. We will look closely at their leaves, describe them and use them to identify the tree that they came from. We will continue to practise a range of different skills in PE to get ready for Sports Day.
Year 2	 In Maths, we will be finishing our unit of work on fractions. The children will be problem solving using their knowledge of quarter, half, three quarters and a whole. In English, we will be continuing to sentence stack writing about the story 'Stardust'. The children will be focusing on sentence structure and using noun phrases to make the writing more interesting! In science, we will be completing an investigation about temperature. In art, we will be continuing to explore different creative ways of displaying different African animals!
Year 3	 In English, we will be planning and writing our own poem based on the super narrative poetry book, The Night Box. Our poem will be called 'The Day Box' and will use techniques that we have been learning about such as simile, metaphor and personification. This will add description and imagery to our poem. In science, we will be learning about how water is transported in plants and we will be setting up three different experiments to prove that roots and stems are responsible for carrying water. In maths, we will be beginning a unit on money; first identifying pounds and pence and then adding and subtracting money.
Year 4	 In English, we start a new non-fiction text. We will be using the Street Beneath My Feet to build up to writing an explanation. We will start with a shape lesson on Monday to see what elements are needed for this writing. Whilst we have a break from swimming, we will be preparing for our upcoming Sports Day. In PSHE, We will look at sun safety. We will discuss how spending time in the sun exposes us to UVA and UVB rays. We will look for ways to keep ourselves safe in the sun.
Year 5	 We will be beginning to work with coordinates in Maths and using them to help translate and reflect shapes. In English, we will be writing our very own newspaper articles about the arrival of the Windrush Ship in Britain before starting to look at some Windrush poetry. Our History lessons this week will also look at the Windrush movement in even more detail and allow children to use primary resources to deepen their understanding. In D&T, will be reviewing our bolognese dishes - thank you so much for providing the ingredients for the children to cook these! What budding chefs we have in Year 5!
Year 6	 There will be four fast paced days of revision in maths and English for Year 6 this week. French, music and PE lessons will take place as normal We will be taking some extra time to let off steam and have some moments of mindfulness throughout this week in the lead up to their SATs.