

St Wilfrid's CE Primary School

Summer Term 2018

KS2 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the first of a termly Key Stage Newsletter! This has been a very busy, but very enjoyable term and the children have been engaged with a wide range of different opportunities in school and on trips. This newsletter will give you a taste of what we've been up to this term.



Year 6 Bikeability

Year 6 spent a week learning how to cycle safely on the roads. During the week, the fully-trained instructors showed the children how to indicate, look carefully and steer their bikes with accuracy when using the roads. They had a great time learning new skills, which they will be able to use for the rest of their lives. Children currently in Year 5

will have the chance to take part in the same scheme in April 2019.

Space Dome

Year 5 spent a morning exploring the solar system within Herstmonceux observatory's space dome. The children were able to travel across the galaxy and see the planets up close. This was a fantastic opportunity to ask some expert astronomers questions about the wonders of space. The children particularly enjoyed zooming from one planet to another. While we couldn't take the children into space, we were able to undertake a tour of Haywards Heath as part of our 'Home and Away' topic. The children identified the human and physical features of the town and recorded data on the town's amenities.



Eucharist

Year 6 attended and took part in a Eucharist service at the Church of the Ascension. During the service, prayers and readings were recited by the children. They all joined in with the hymns and sang beautifully. There was the opportunity to receive Communion or a blessing from Reverend Jo. It was lovely to see some parents and carers attending the service.

Lancing College



To celebrate the end of their time at primary school, Year 6 took part in the Diocese of Chichester Leavers' Service in the chapel at Lancing College – a very dramatic setting. They spent time learning the hymns for the service and our school was chosen to carry the cross at the start and end of the ceremony. There were eight

schools attending and each school contributed to the service by reading prayers, or performing dramatic story-telling and readings. It was a very special way to celebrate the end of their primary education and to wish them all the best in secondary school.

Letter from Sir Nicholas

Earlier in the term, Year 4 wrote letters to Sir Nicholas Soames about suggestions for how to improve recycling and the environment. We were incredibly excited to

receive a letter in reply from the House of Commons explaining how pleased they were to receive our letters and how they are trying to help too!



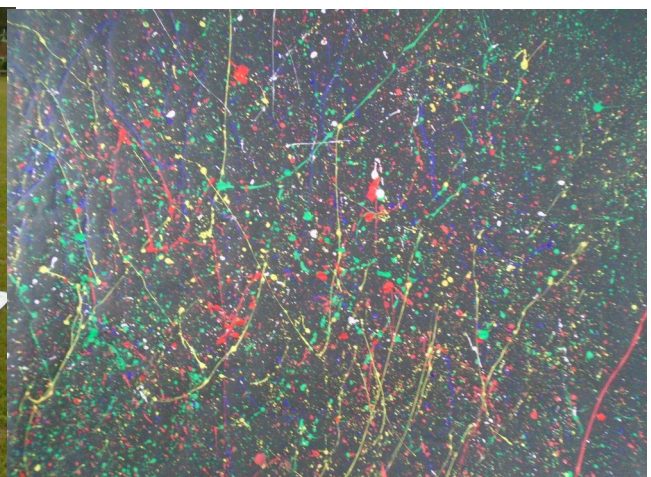
Music Making

Children from Kingfishers gave a music concert to the class. We were very impressed with their skills! All the children really enjoyed learning their different instruments and loved performing for the class. Next year's Year 4 children will also be learning an instrument!



Earthquakes!

Year 3 have been looking at earthquakes this term. In our art lessons, we created these effective pictures by drawing a simple sketch and breaking it up into sections like a shattered mirror. We then painted each section a slightly different shade. In literacy we have written poetry about earthquakes too!





Exploring animal habitats

Year 4 have been learning about animals and their habitats. We spent a sunny afternoon exploring the wildlife pond in our school grounds and spotted lots of different habitats.

We recorded the animals we found there and thought about how they were suited to their different habitats.

