

St Wilfrid's CE Primary School

Autumn Term 2018

KS2 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to our Autumn Key Stage 2 Newsletter. We've been hard at work since September—the amount of learning going on has been incredible! All the children have had a great time starting to learn about their new topics and some of us have already been on trips. This newsletter will give you a taste of what we've been up to so far this term.

Superstar Worship

On Fridays in worship, we celebrate our weekly 'Superstar Students', who have been impressing their teachers and demonstrating some of our school values. Children receive a certificate and their photo goes up on our celebration display board in the reception area. Here are just a few of our superstars from this half term.



Year 3

In art this term, we have been learning about Giuseppe Archimboldo. He is an Italian artist who used fruit and vegetables to create portraits. We arranged a selection of fruit and vegetables so that it made a face. We then sketched what we had created and used oil pastels to complete our masterpieces!



Our topic this term is called "Revolting Recipes". We made our own revolting recipes out of bizarre liquids and wrote instructions about how to make them. This was very exciting and helped us in our English work when we started reading "The Rascally Cake" and we wrote about all the revolting ingredients that Rufus put into his cake. We have also been reading "George's Marvellous Medicine" and writing about the main characters.



Year 4

Year 4 enjoyed reading hieroglyphic messages for a treasure hunt. Our 'treasure' was materials used to make Egyptian pyramids!



We went on a school trip to Brighton Museum earlier this term. We learnt about mummification and Egyptian artefacts, since we are learning about Ancient Egypt. We all split into two groups and started our mummification activity. First we had to take out the brains through the nose! After that was done, we had to take out the organs – the heart, liver, lungs and stomach. Next, we put them in the canopic jars.



"On our way to the museum I felt nervous, but when we got there I was happy and excited!"

In the first room, we saw colourful coffins with real mummies inside. Beneath one of the coffins, you could see an x-ray of the mummy!

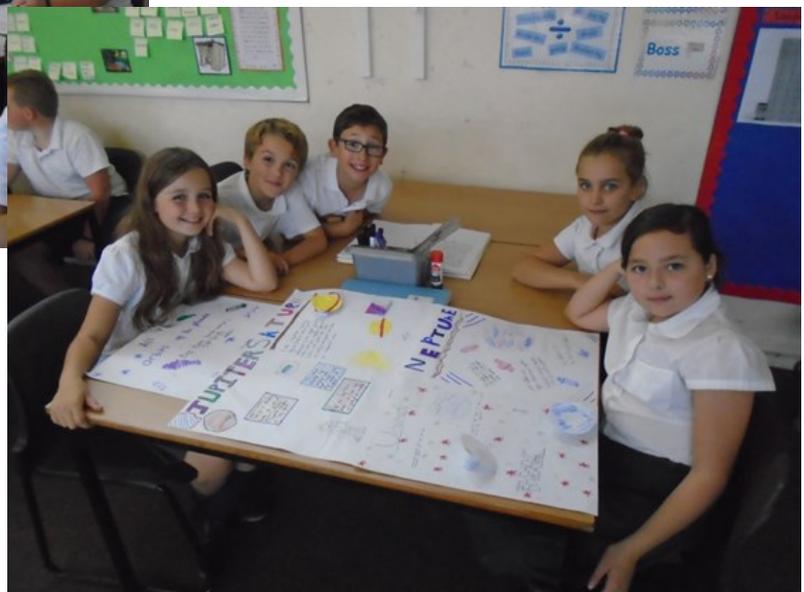
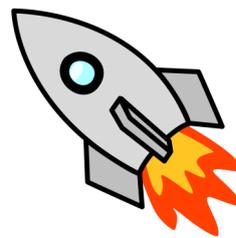


Year 5

This half term, we have been learning all about space! We used pastels and chalks to create images of the solar system. We enjoyed experimenting with the resources to create different effects for our pictures. We also had fun learning the order of the planets by creating our own mnemonics.

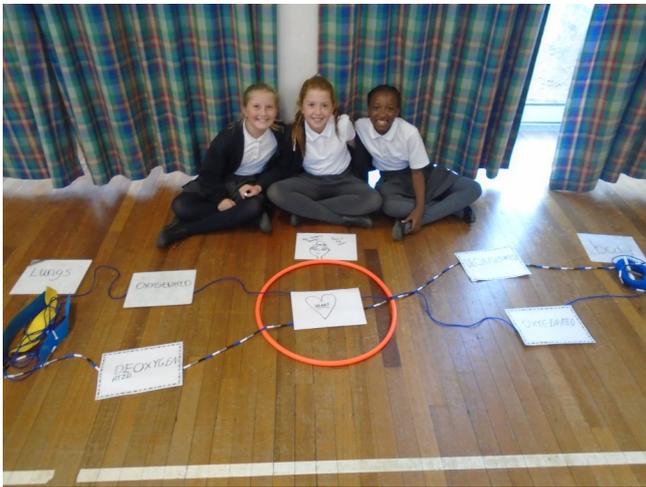


We also worked in groups and used the Ipad to find out information about the different planets. We discovered the impacts that each of their individual orbits have. We presented our work in different ways, such as posters. We really enjoyed working collaboratively to produce this work.



Year 6

This half term, we have been learning all about the heart in science. We had a great time creating models of the circulatory system out of PE equipment that showed our understanding of this complex system. We've also been conducting experiments to measure how our pulse rates were affected by exercise.



To fit in with our learning journey, 'Secrets, Spies and Survival', our dance unit this term has been the 'Lindy Hop'. The children have had a great time learning the basic steps and then choreographing their own routines with a partner. They have been very creative and produced some spectacular moves!

