

Ocean Class Autumn 2 Newsletter 2023

Maths

This half term in reception we have focussed on introducing 2D shapes and their properties and working with numbers within 5 to add, subtract and compose.

In Year 1, we have focussed on number bonds to 10, fact families shape, part-whole models, repeating patterns and addition and subtraction using a number line.



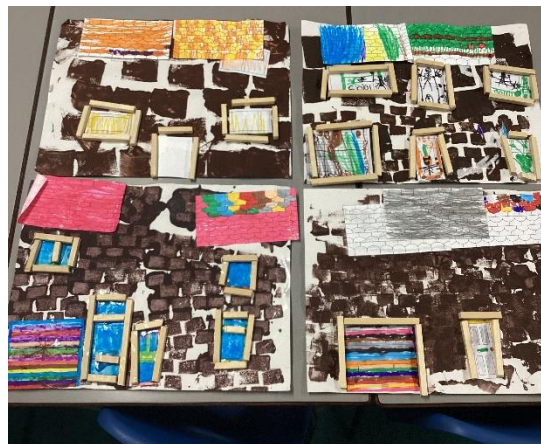
Science

Our topic has been learning all about 'seasonal change'.

We have identified what happens to the trees in each season and learnt how animals adapt in Winter. We can talk about how the length of the day changes in the different seasons and we've had great fun investigating shadows.

English

This half term we have enjoyed being authors and writing our own books, based upon a story map which we created first. We have had fun writing letters and lists to Father Christmas and writing sentences to match pictures from the Christmas Story.



History

Our topic has been learning about how things have changed in our lifetime. We have explored what toys we play with, and what our parents and grandparents played with. We then looked at school, travel and daily life. We talked about the changes in the use of technology over time and the internet.

D.T

We have really enjoyed this topic on 'Homes' because we were able to create a home using different mediums. We all had a go at using a saw to measure and cut wood for our windows and doors on our own houses and we worked in groups to create a large-scale junk model house.

R.E

Our topic this half term has been learning about 'Celebrations'. We have learnt about Harvest, the Hindu festival of Diwali, the Jewish festival of Sukkot and Christmas.

We took part in different activities for each celebration.

We really enjoyed making clay diwa pots and painting mehndi patterns on our hands.

Music

In music, we have enjoyed learning and singing 10 new songs for our nativity - 'It's a Baby!'

We were able to sing as a group and perform on stage.



Computing

We have been introduced to 'Hector's World' this half term. We have met Hector the Protector, who encourages all his friends to stay safe when using the internet and not give away any of their personal details to strangers. Ask us about this!

