

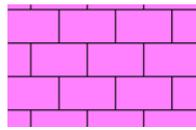
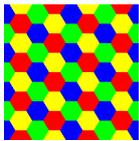
This term our topic is 'Detectives'. We will be doing lots of exploring and investigations.

The whole school will be looking at a new value 'Friendship' in worship.

In PE, we are doing cricket. Please can the children have a full PE kit and PE shoes in school every week. This term, on Friday mornings, we are going swimming at Trinity Swimming baths.

Reception

This week in maths, Reception have been working on fitting shapes together (tesselation) to make patterns. We have also been making up maths stories.



As always, we continue to enjoy our time outside on the bikes and choosing our own activities to work on.



In phonics, we have been learning the 'igh' sound and have been using this in our spellings and in sentences too.

Years 1 & 2

This week in Maths, we have been concentrating on using money to make a given amount. Year 2 children have been focusing on different

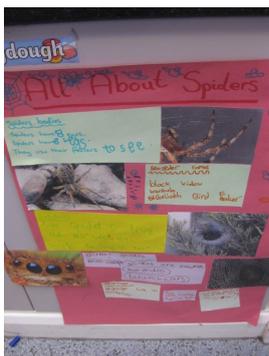


ways to make a given amount. Next week, we are recapping time looking at quarter of an hour.

In English, we have written a diary as one of the characters in The Magic Finger. We have started to plan our own story using some ideas from The Magic Finger. Next week, we will continue to develop this.

RWI: Some of the year 1 children have been focusing on reading and writing the split diagraphs a-e and i-e.

We have been investigators this week and went on a search for mini beasts.



We have continued to create moving mini beasts making snails and caterpillars!

The children have worked in groups to find out facts about mini beasts and have created non-fiction texts.





Blackford Biweekly



This term our topic is 'Detectives'. PE this term is on a Thursday and swimming is on a Friday so please do not forget your kit. Also, our 'Weekly Mile' is on a Friday so please have old trainers, a change of socks and some tracksuit bottoms that you do not mind getting wet or dirty! Regular homework continues to be daily reading, spellings and times tables plus division facts.

Years 3 & 4

This week in English we have been working hard learning about information leaflets. We have been identifying features and researching information to create our own, based on the story we are reading. We have started to plan it and next week we will be writing our leaflets to share with the whole class.

In Maths, we have been concentrating on addition and subtraction calculations. We have all been using formal written methods and choosing the best strategies for different calculations. Next week, we are going to be learning about ml and l and some of us are going to be learning how to plot co-ordinates.

Years 5 & 6

In English, Year 5 have begun work on narrative poetry and have looked at XXXXXXXX. The children have acted out parts of the poem and have considered what makes a successful performance.

In maths, they have been working on place value and multiplying/dividing by 10,100 and 1,000.

Year 6 have had a busy week doing their end of KS2 SATs and we are very proud of how they tackled them.

They finished with a celebratory ice-cream on Thursday afternoon and are in non-uniform today as they won this last month's attendance award.



KS 2 whole-class

In science, the children have been learning about the ear and how it works. We looked at the different parts of the ear with year 3&4 creating labelled diagrams and year 5&6 writing a report about the ear and its functions. Next week, we will be carrying out an investigation into how sound travels. In topic, the children have continued to work with Miss Davies on their 'Romans' topic. They have been finding out why the Romans invaded Britain. In Art, the children will be carrying on with their work on mosaics, designing and making their own.