Year 5/6 Autumn Term 2 Where It All Began



Earth and Space

Writing

This half term we have been challenged to apply for a job in space! We were applying to NASA to be an astronaut to go on a mission to Mars. We had to think about the skills needed and ensure we were using persuasive language and a formal tone throughout our letter.

We have also written a space inspired narrative poem this half term centred around the launch of a space shuttle and our thoughts and feelings throughout if we were an astronaut aboard the shuttle. We worked hard to develop our figurative language skills as well as ways we could express our feelings for dramatic effect.

NASA Headquarters, 300 E Street SW, Washington DC 20024-3210.

Dear Mr Morales,

It is my true opinion, and it is obvious that NASA are the greatest pioneers of spa planet. I have always been hugely enthusiastic since I was a child about space trathought I would have the opportunity to do so, thus, I believe that it would be the achieve my one and only dream. In this letter I would like to outline my qualities hopefully convince you to let me be a member of your team. After all. I would like adventure in space than just sitting in an office in this planet. I hope this will end me a job as an astronaut in this amazing association ...

Firstly, my degrees in physics, chemistry, civil engineering and Geography achieve university in 2014 would be appropriate as this could be useful for studying the se and planets. In 2008 I went off travelling to Ethiopia for six months to study dams working on a project in Dubai working for EMAAR™ properties and in 2011 I went the Guangdong province to study bridges. I was also a chemist following my last can fluently speak several different languages enabling me to communicate more crewmates who do not speak fluent English.

My attributes would be suitable for the job as I am hardworking and determined things get difficult. If you were to hire me, you would soon see that I am inquisit collaborative and a good team player. I would be a great astr nt qualities to enab easily communicate with other astronauts and I have the right good astronaut as I can work with other astronauts and I can persevere through may be tough at times, I still want to fulfil my dreams and achieve the amazing into space.

I hope this letter has convinced you to let me in to your amazing team and I will seeing you soon. I will be a helpful addition to your team and I appreciate you t read my letter to recruit me for an experience that will change my life forever

Yours sincerely Milo Jones

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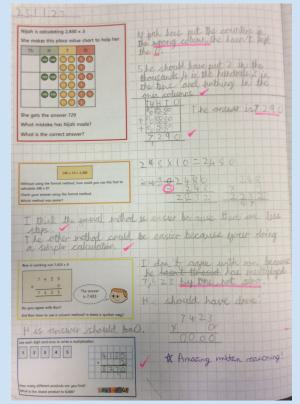
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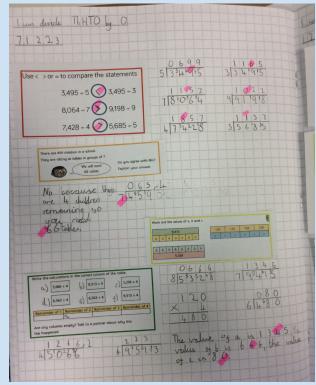
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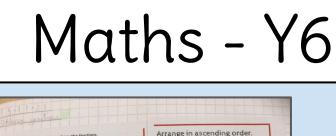
Maths - Y5

In maths in Y5, we have been working hard on their multiplication and division skills. To start, we investigated multiples and factors along with square, cube and prime numbers. We were able to use resources around the room to help us show what we were learning in a practical way.

We continued to use this CPA approach to develop our understanding of multiplication and division methods, which resulted in us confidently being able to use column multiplication and short division.

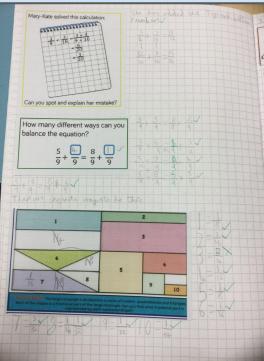






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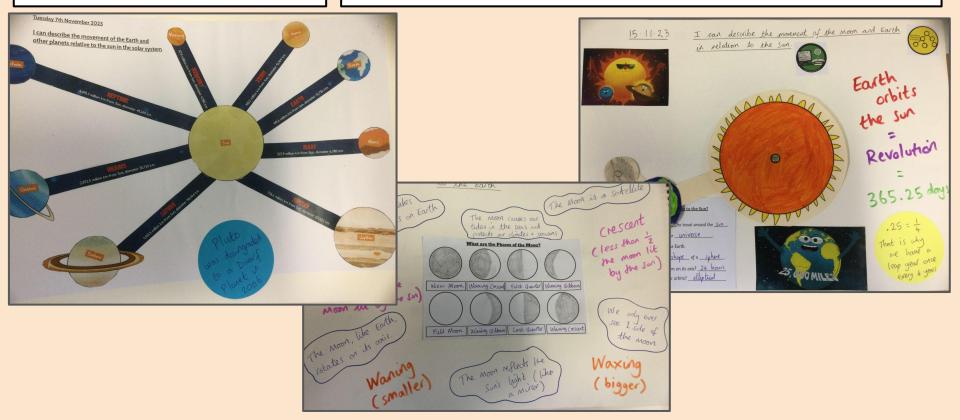
This half term we have explored everything to do with fractions. We can find fractions of amounts and multiply, divide them too. We are experts now at comparing them and ordering them and using common denominators to add and subtract them.



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How far does she cycle on day 4? Give units with your answer.					

Science

In science this half term we have LOVED learning about The Solar System, the planets, the Moon and how all of those things help us to have day and night. We have made lots of models to help support our understanding of these tricky concepts.



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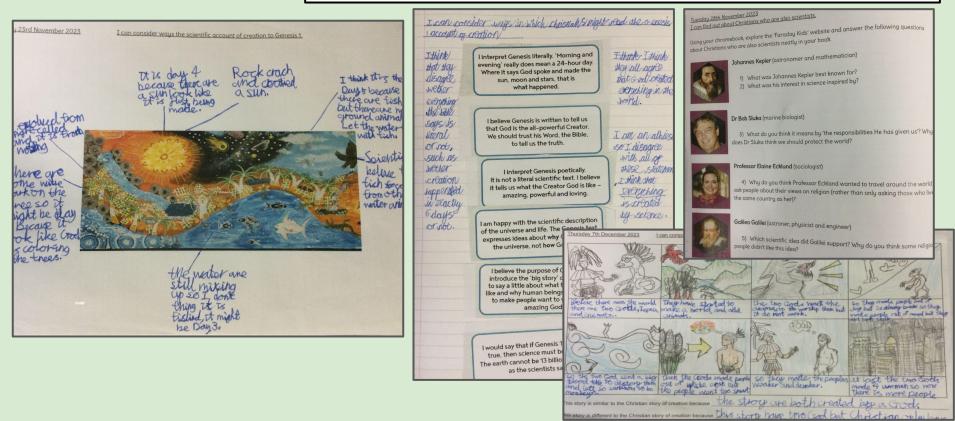
In topic this half term we have been designers and creators. We spent some time looking at automatas from various contexts and then used these as inspiration to design our own space themed automatas! Once we had considered the resources we needed to use, we then gathered the resources and made sure they were fit for purpose by creating a prototype CAM. After this we then began to make our automata.

This step certainly tested our concentration and patience, as making a working CAM was a new skill to many of us! We are all really proud of our work and spent time reflecting on the process by completing an evaluation.



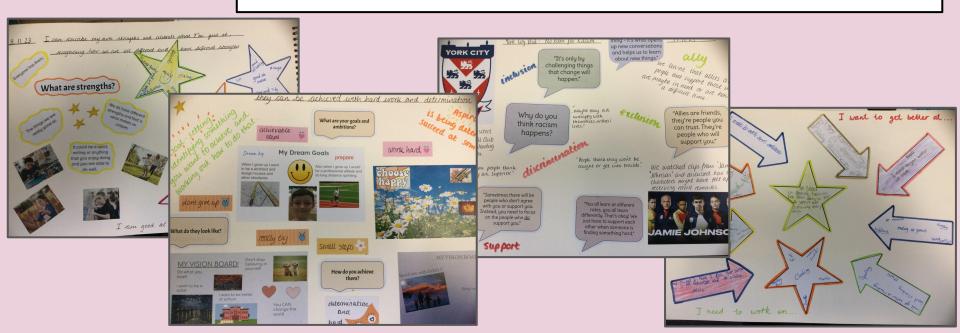
R.E

We have explored the big question 'Creation and Science: conflicting and complementary?'. Different christians believe different things in relation to the creation story and many believe science links in many different ways. To conclude, we have expressed our own opinions.



RHE

In RHE this half term we have been thinking about our similarities and differences.. To start, we discussed our strengths and weaknesses and compared them with the rest of the class to see if we shared similar skills. We have also thought about our long term and short term goals by making mood boards on our chromebooks - we used our ideas from previous lessons to inspire us. After this we thought about internet safety and online bullying - these are topics that we had discussed in computing last term, so we were really good at sharing our thoughts and ideas.



PE

This half term, as a school we were lucky enough to have a visit from Dave from 'Skip2BFit'. He lead a great Box2BFit circuit training session with us and also challenged us to set ourselves goals and challenge ourselves.





In our PE lessons this half term we have been developing our boxing skills in our class lessons, and our Kurling skills in our PPA lessons. For both of these we have shown resilience and perseverance in each lesson, showing that we can respond well to challenges. As well as developing and demonstrating our skills physically, we have also learnt new vocabulary linked to these sports and we are becoming more confident in using these words too! Art

Our art work this half term has been inspired by the work of Van Gogh and space. We have demonstrated a secure knowledge of warm and cool colours as well as those that are complementary and contrasting, We have also chosen the appropriate paint and implements to create our desired effect. Here are some of our final pieces:



Music

We have been developing our listening and appraisal skills this half term by immersing ourselves in one of St Oswald's '10 Pieces of Classical Music': Holst's Planets suite. We have been using musical vocabulary to describe the dynamics, texture, timbre and tempo of each of the pieces, as well as commenting on the aspects that we most enjoyed listening to.

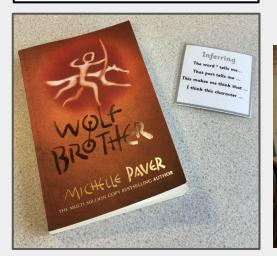






We also developed our own space soundscape inspired by the 'Interstellar' film score. We started by recording sounds using body percussion and voices, before moving onto percussion instruments.

Whole Class Read



We have continued to enjoy reading 'Wolf Brother" as a class this half term. We have come across many tricky words, but discussed them and thought carefully about the meaning that the author was trying to get across to the audience. A main focus to our discussions has centred around Torak's character.





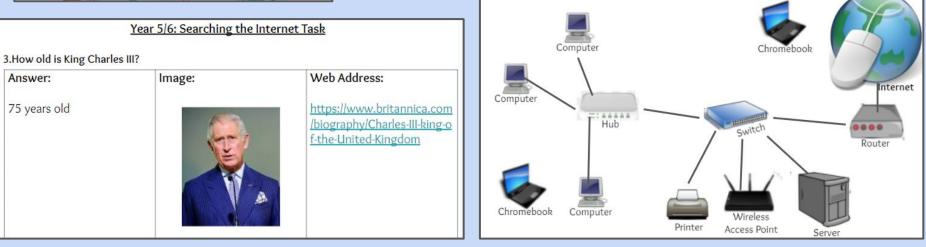


Computing



In computing this term, we have been learning about how the Internet and World Wide Web work and how this reaches us in school to enable us to use devices through our school network. We have also been focusing on searching the internet, again lookin how this works as well as trying various techniques to help make searches more reliable and specific.

In the last lesson of the term, children were given the chance to practise their coding skills using Google's 'Santa Tracker', a very popular site full of exciting games and challenges to complete.





We continued with our topic from last term of My Daily Routine. We used all the grammatical skills that we had learnt last half term (telling the time and using verbs in the first person) to write a short piece about what we do each day. Some of us even used time adverbials and conjunctions to extend our sentences and make our writing even more interesting!

We were lucky enough to have contact with the Colegio Britannico de Cartegena - an international school in Colombia! They sent us letters all about Colombia and Colombian culture. It was so interesting to read all about how different their lives are to ours. We wrote some thank you letters back to them and plan to get in touch again later in the school year.





We finished the year by designing and writing about Spanish Christmas jumpers!

Christmas

We love Christmas in Y5/6! Here are some pictures of our different Christmas crafts and the decorations we have made for our classrooms! We also loved performing our Christmas Carol Concert in St Oswald's Church, which included solo and ensemble singing, Recorder Club and poems that children in Year % had written themselves.

