

OYSTERCATCHERS



Brampton Ellis Church of England Aided Primary School

NOTICE BOARD

PE is on a Thursday. Children must come to school in appropriate PE kit.

Swimming is every Wednesday. Children must bring a towel and swimming cap. Swimming caps can be purchased at the baths for £2 if needed. Girls must have a swimming costume and boys must have trunks.

HOMEWORK

Children all have a Times Table Rockstars account, which we encourage them to use as often as possible. As part of the Y4 curriculum, they are expected to be fluent in all times tables up to 12 x 12 by the end of the year.

Children also have reading records for any reading done at home. These will be checked daily and children will receive a team point for every time they read.

Ask your child:

- What countries are in South America?
- How is a sound caused?
- What is an algorithm?

LITERACY

This week in Literacy, Oystercatchers looked at an example of a diary. We looked at the language features of a diary, which include first person, past tense and time adverbials. The children also looked at how a diary is layed out and we spotted features such as 'dear diary' and a sign off. Next week, we are going to be writing our own diary.

READING

This week in guided reading, we have been looking at a diary. Oystercatchers practiced their reading fluency by focusing on their speed and accuracy. As well as enjoying our new class novel, we also loved watching Laura Ellen Anderson read an extract of 'Amelia Fang and The Memory Thief' during our online story time.

MATHS

In maths this week, we continued our unit on multiplication and division. The children looked at written method for multiplication, factor pairs, how to multiply 3 numbers together and how to use written methods to calculate mental multiplication.

SCIENCE

In Science this week, we started a new unit on 'Sound'. Oystercatchers learnt that vibrations cause sounds. The children also learnt that these are called sound waves and we can't see these.

PE: This week, we continued our swimming lessons and the children are growing in confidence. In our PE lesson, we started an athletics unit in which we began practicing batton races.

Topic: Oystercatchers continued their topic this week, 'Brazil'. The children recapped knowledge of what the 7 continents are. We also looked at what countries there are in South and North America. Oystercatchers used an atlas to label a map of South America and investigate what countries border Brazil.

Art: This week the children continued their rainforest collages. We used different materials to layer on top of each other to create a our background. We will finish these next week.

ICT: Oystercatchers began learning about algorithms. As a class, we followed an algorithm to create a drawing which turned out to be a house. We talked about why all our drawings look different and how we could improve the algorithm.

PSHE: This half-term we continued looking at Anti-social behavior in the community and how we should behave outside of school. Oystercatchers thought carefully about how they could say no to someone who is a negative influence.

RE: We looked at a the story of when Jesus' first disciples Simon Peter and Andrew joined him. The children talked about how difficult it would be to leave their favourite 3 people and possessions behind and change their daily routine.

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