

Learning Highlights

Friday saw more science at Ongar—the children in KS2 spent the day moving around the 4 classes tackling different science investigations. In year 3 they investigated structures, in year 4—absorption, year 5—bouncing balls and static electricity in year 6. Everyone had great fun and learnt lots of new things.



We have been doing some role play and drama work to help the children to empathise with the characters in the book 'Wonder'. The children have worked in small groups to prepare freeze frames of scenarios to show how different characters would have reacted and used this to write diary entries from different points of view.



The children have now started to write their own chapter of the book using their knowledge of what they have read so far.

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Homework this week is long multiplication. Some of the class are still getting to grips with this method. This is an example of the method that we are encouraging the children to use.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 96 \\
 32 \times \\
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 192 \leftarrow \text{this is } 96 \times 2 \\
 2880 \leftarrow \text{this is } 96 \times 30 \\
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 3072 \leftarrow \text{this is } 96 \times 32
 \end{array}$$

Please let me know if your child is still confused as we will be moving onto long division over the next few weeks.

Star of the Week this week goes to Matteo. He has tried really hard this week and worked very well in most lessons. Well done Matteo—keep it up.



Information for Parents

Dates for the diary

7th—9th February—High Ashurst
12th February—Half Term
20th and 22nd February—Parent's Evening
27th February—Year 6 Assembly 9.15

If you have any worries or questions, please do not hesitate to ask.