Year 1 News

October 2016

Elsewhere in School…

- Our Bake Sale raised a massive £423, which will be shared between the Make a Wish Foundation and the school. A big thank you to everyone who sent in (or bought) cakes.
- Year 5/6 took part in an interactive retelling of Macbeth, working with the Schools Shakespeare Company.
- We hosted the Stevenage FA Boys and Girls Football Tournaments, with 14 schools and almost 150 children playing on our field.
- Our Year 5/6 Basketball squad took part in the Stevenage Festival, finishing 5th overall.
- Year 2 learnt to be weather presenters as part of their *Super Seasons* topic, producing their own forecasts and presenting them to their class.
- Year 6 took part in *Crucial Crew*, learning how to stay safe and make positive decisions as they grow-up.

What we've been doing this term...

Wild and Free

This term's topic has been *Wild and Free*. The focus has been outside, looking at and naming plants and trees we have found for science and finding natural materials - such as leaves, conkers, twigs, acorns and other seed pods - to use in our art work. Our art work was inspired by Andy Goldsworthy and Lois Ehlert. We have also studied maps, locating different landmarks in the local environment and made maps of our walk to school. In ICT we have learnt key skills with the mouse and keyboard, which we have used to draw pictures and type sentences about Little Rabbit Foo Foo.

Posting our letters

Luke Impett & Maisha Alam made a natural material picture

Shyane Landon and Marissa Orros made a butterfly

Our trip to the woods

Setting off…

Our Lois Ehlert inspired artwork

Stars of the Week -Class 3a-

Hollie Baker

Sienna Cook

Matilda Kindell

Eli Moulton

Christopher McAllister

English

Retelling the story of Little Rabbit Foo Foo

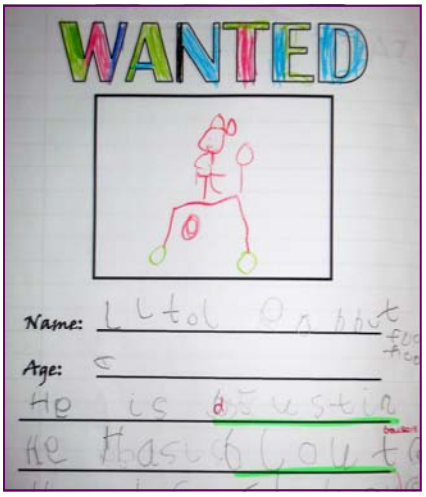
We take part in daily Read Write Inc sessions, which helps us to develop our phonics, reading and writing within ability groups. We have looked at our favourite books and shared them within the class. We have also read different stories that are set outside including *Where's my Teddy?* by Jez Alborough and *The Leaf Man* by Lois Ehlert. We have been focusing particularly on the story *Little Rabbit Foo Foo* by Michael Rosen and have learnt to retell the story using actions. From this story we have made wanted posters to catch the mischievous rabbit, made story maps and innovated the story with our own characters.

Now we are in Year 1 we have also started to do Big Writing every other week, producing a piece of completely independent writing. So far we have written a recount of our summer holidays, retold the story of *Where's My Teddy?* and written an alternative version of *Little Rabbit Foo Foo.*

Little Rabbit Foo Foo

Little Rabbit Foo Foo riding fast on his motorbike scooping up the elephants and bopping them on the head. Down came Mrs Moore. You have three chances to change and if you don't I will turn you into a princess. Little Rabbit Foo Foo riding through the forest scooping up the T Rex and bopping them on the head. Down came the good Mrs Moore and said Little Rabbit Foo Foo I don't like your attitude scooping up the T Rex and bopping them on the head. I am gonna give you 2 chances to change and if you don't I will turn you into a princess. Little Rabbit Foo Foo scooping up the octopus' and bopping them on the head. Down came the good Mrs Moore and said Little Rabbit Foo Foo I don't like your attitude scooping up the octopus' and bopping them on the head. I am giving you 0 chances so I will turn you into a princess. POW!

by Tayla Myall



Wanted posters

Little Rabbit Foo Foo
Age 3
He is disgusting. He has blue trousers. He is fluffy. He breaks houses. He is naughty.

by Jake-Davis Lloyd

Wanted: Little Rabbit Foo Foo
Age: 5
He bangs the field mice on the head. He is bad.

by Jacob Wells

Maths

This term's target work has seen us looking at place value, ordering and writing numbers to 20. We made our own number lines and ordered jumbled up numbers to help us, and although we did find teen numbers a bit tricky, we focussed on learning how many tens and ones were in each number. We have also learned this half terms *Learn Its*, 8+2=10 and 9+1=10.

Other maths we have covered include learning pairs of numbers that make ten (number bonds), recording addition and subtraction number sentences and looking at measures, including weighing and measuring length using non standard measures.

Amelia Bates finding 2 or 3 more

Maizie Cole adding two numbers together

Patience Haskins making ten

Shyla Landon and Kye Randall adding on 1

Millie Manning and Maisha Alam weigh different objects

Shania Parry, Matilda Kindell adding numbers together

Stars of the Week -Class 3b-

Mitchell O'Reilly

Tayla Myall

Amy King

Carson Wall

Ruby Barr

Samuel Street

Diary Dates

21st December
End of term

5th January 2017
Start of Spring Term

13th-17th February
Half-term

10th March
Inset day - school closed

31st March
End of term

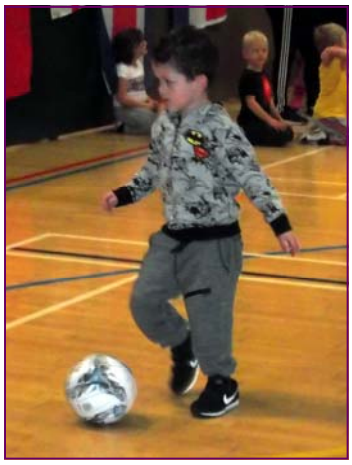
19th April
Start of Summer Term

1st May
May Bank Holiday - school closed

8th—12th May
Year 6 SATs Test Week

29th May - 2nd June
Half-term

21st July
End of term

Stevenage Mini-Olympics

We were invited to take part in this year's Stevenage Mini-Olympics earlier this term. On Thursday 13th October we got a coach to the Leisure Centre and took part in an afternoon of sporting activities alongside two other schools. This was great fun as we tried a variety of different sports, some of which we were familiar with and some of which were completely new to us, including cheerleading, races, cricket, speed stack cups, gymnastics, basketball and football. Hopefully you can see how much we enjoyed it from the pictures below!