

Year 5 Autumn 2 2024

In English we have been sharing the book *Swarm Rising* by Tim Peakes. During this book we have explored the use of Figurative language as well as how commas can be used to support writing. We have also investigated how authors write for different audiences and used this to create a Jack and the Beanstalk story for both Infant and Junior children. We went on to create a piece of persuasive writing that encouraged Jack to buy the magic beans.

In Maths we have used our knowledge of our times tables to practise calculating problems requiring written multiplication and division methods. We looked at the vocabulary mentioned and used it to help us to answer our own questions. We have also looked at fractions, knowing the difference between the numerator and the denominator. We were also able to add and subtract these as well as experiencing ways to simplify fractions. Finally we looked at line graphs and measurements. We know that a line graph shows continuous data and have begun to learn how to convert between different metric measurements.

In Science we have been investigating Forces. We know that a force is a push or a pull and that we need an uneven force to create movement. We have had the opportunity to explore different forces that act upon an object such as gravity, air resistance, water resistance and friction.

In History, we have been learning about the invasion of the Anglo-Saxons. We looked at the countries they came from and where they settled in England. We also explored the reasons for travelling to England and why the Romans left.

During Art we have been finding out more about futuristic pictures. We have explored a range of tools, mediums and papers that create these pictures and then created our own images using similar techniques.

During Music we have been learning all about Blues music. We learnt about chords and how music notation is created. We have learnt the chords C, F and G and used these to create an improvised piece of music linked to the Blues.

What is coming up?

English: Poetry, Paragraphs, Story Starters and Complex Sentences.

Maths: Place Value, Mental Calculations, Time.

Science: Do all plants and animals start life as an egg?

Geography: Is there more to North America than the U.S.A.?

DT: How can a doodler draw for me?

RE: What do Christians believe about God?

Music: What is a Shosholoza and what does it sound like?