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Judaism Workshop



This week, the children in Year 1 enjoyed a visit from Michael Marks to learn all about Judaism and the festival of sukkot.

Michael brought in lots of Jewish artefacts for the children to touch and look at. THe children saw a mezuzah, kippah, Torah scrolls. Tefillin and a tallit.







The children also made lular (branches) and etrog (lemon) to decorate the sukkah (a type of hut) ready for sukkot (a Jewish holiday which celebrates the gathering of the harvest).



To find out more, please visit:

https://www.jewishwayoflife.com/

Reporter: Mrs Busby



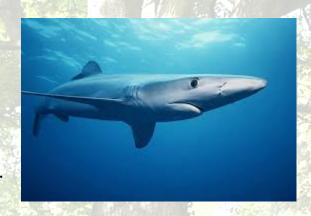
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Shark-tacular

There are over 500 species of Sharks swimming in the world's oceans.

Although sharks are a kind of fish, they don't have bones in their bodies. Most sharks are a torpedo shape.



Some sharks are smaller than your hand but some are bigger than a bus! Sharks line in every ocean but also live in lakes and rivers.



Sharks have 14 gills on each side of their head.

Sharks fear dolphins.

Fascinating facts:

- 1. Sharks get through up to 30,000 teeth in a lifetime!
- 2. Sharks have been around for 450 million years they are older than dinosaurs!
- 3. The biggest shark in the world is a whale shark. They can weigh up to 41,000 pounds (18,600 kg) that is heavier than 200 people!!

Reporters: Cleo, Rory and Ruby



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Cook's Corner

Why not try something sweet with a cup of tea or coffee

Jammy Dodgers cookies

Ingredients

227 grams butter unsalted, softened

64 grams sugar

2 large eggs, room temperature

1 teaspoon vanilla extract

330 grams plain flour

1/4 teaspoon salt

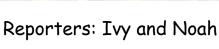
64 grams raspberry jam

Method

- 1. Add the butter and sugar to a mixing bowl.
- 2. Beat until light and fluffy. Add the eggs and continue to mix.
- 3. Mix in the vanilla.
- 4. Mix the flour, and salt together. Add 1/3 to the butter and mix. Continue like this until all flour is incorporated, (it will look like large crumbs) If the mix is too wet, add a little more flour. Do not over mix.
- 5. Turn the dough out onto a clean surface (no flour). Use your hands to start pressing the crumbs together, again not too much or you can overwork the dough and this will result in hard cookies. It will be crumbly and feel like it won't come together but it will, just press until it stays together. If you cannot get the dough to stay together, dip your hand in water and sprinkle water over the dough to moisten, not too much or the cookies will spread too much when baking. Flatten slightly and divide into 2. Wrap both in cling film and refrigerate for at least 30 minutes.
- 6. Preheat the oven to 350°F/176°C.
- 7. Place a large piece of baking paper onto your work surface. Place another piece on top and roll out the dough to 6mm thick.
- 8. Use a 6 cm fluted cookie cutter, dip in flour, then cut out the cookies. Use a thin spatula to remove and place on a parchment covered baking sheet evenly apart. Use a small heart-shaped cutter and cut a heart in the center of half of the cookies.
- 9. Bake for 15-20 minutes until they start to turn golden brown on the edges but the tops are still pale.

 Remove from the oven and allow to cool for 2 minutes. Transfer to a cooling rack to cool completely.
- 10. Once cooled, take a cookie without a heart and spread 1/4 teaspoon of jam with more in the center than the edges. This way it will rise up through the heart. Top with a heart cut-out cookie.









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Mona Lisa

The artist Leonardo Da Vinci painted 'Mona Lisa' between 1503 and 1519 when he was living in Florence. He used oil paint on poplar wood.

8 fascinating facts about the Mona Lisa:

- 1. It may be unfinished
- 2. It was once believed to be a self-portrait of Da Vinci
- 3. It once hung in Napoleon's bedroom
- 4. It was stolen in 1911
- 5. Pablo Picaso (another artist) was one of the suspected thieves
- 6. It has been attacked lots of times
- 7. It visited America at the request of Jackie Kennedy
- 8. It has the highest known insurance value in art history

If you would like to see the real canvas, please visit: Musée du Louvre in Paris, France.

Reporters: Sylvi and Sophia





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Craft Club

Craft Club with Miss Middleton is fun and we do lots of different craft tasks.



We made paper spinners. When you pull the string, they spin around!



We tried to do some weaving using a bird template but they came out a little differently
We made a bird ornament by wrapping wool around our bird template.





We used salt dough and cut around our hands to create a trinket dish of our own.

Miss Middleton baked our salt dough and them we painted our hand bowls.

If you are keen to join craft club next half term, sign up on ParentPay!

Reporters: Sylvi, Sophia and Ivy