



St Mary's C of E Primary School

Fox Class Weekly Newsletter Friday 27th January 2023

Dear Families,

Maths - We have been practising learning 3 and 4 times tables and answering multiplication & division sums and using our knowledge to help with bigger numbers.

 $3 \times 7 = 21$ $3 \times 70 = 210$ 21 divided by 3 = 7 210 divided by 3 = 70

 $4 \times 4 = 16$ $40 \times 4 = 160$ 160 divided by 4 = 40

English - We wrote a letter to a penfriend in 'role' as Charlie in the book 'The Wild Way Home'.

Science - The children investigated the hardest of rocks. We looked at 5 different rocks, gypsum, granite, marble, slate and sandstone. We used coarse sandpaper to rub the stones for 1 minute, then observed

and recorded what happened to the stone, eg, how many particles or dust it made after rubbing.





History - We were learning about artefacts that have been found that date back to the bronze age and what they may have been used for, including a gold cape, metal tweezers and bronze drinking cup.

Art - We have started learning about the life of the American artist Georgia O'Keeffe and looked at some of her drawings and watercolours paintings.

Computing - We are learning about data branching, by sorting information on a branch diagram following questions eg. sorting animals on a diagram a question may be asked, Does the animal have legs? Yes or no Does it have a shell? Yes or no.

PE (Swimming) - The children are really enjoying swimming on Fridays. There are two groups: children who are beginners and children who are swimmers. Each group goes into the pool for 30 minutes and are instructed by the swimming instructors.

Music - We are learning to sing 'Three Little Birds' by Bob Marley (reggae).

PSHE - We talked about our 'Dreams and Goals' for the near future, including learning to swim, learning to ride a bike, and winning a football competition. We discussed obstacles that can be a barrier to achieving our dreams and goals and preserving through difficult times. Some children brought their medals, certificates and trophies into class, which they had achieved in their various clubs to show and tell others about them.

We hope you have a great weekend.

Please come and speak to us or email if you have any questions or queries. We can be contacted by email on fox@stmarys.rbksch.org

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