

Year Group News Year 5



Class news

13/3/26 It's been a busy and exciting few weeks in Year 5. In geography, we've been exploring our enquiry question "Is all of the UK the same?" by comparing Hampshire with the Scottish Highlands. In music, the children have enjoyed learning the South African call-and-response song Shosholoza.

British Science Week began with an energetic workshop from Spark2, followed by our own investigations into boats and parachutes. We also celebrated World Book Day with brilliant costumes, story sharing with EYFS and an inspiring visit from author and Horrible Histories actor Emma Swan.

In English, we've started our new text Hidden Figures, learning about the remarkable Black women whose talents and determination helped drive NASA's space race.

In PE, we've been getting to grips with a new team sport, handball, and in gymnastics the children have been practising vaulting, as well as developing confidence on the wall bars and ropes.

24/4/26 We hope everyone had a wonderful Easter break and enjoyed some well-earned rest! In English, we have completed our memoir writing in role as Katherine Johnson, showcasing empathy and historical understanding. We have now launched our exciting next unit by exploring the weird and wonderful alien world of Pandora, which is already sparking lots of creativity and imagination. In Maths, we have begun learning about area and perimeter, focusing on calculating these for compound shapes and applying our knowledge in problem-solving activities.

During PE, we have continued developing our energetic stomp dance, refining timing and teamwork, and we have also started learning some key cricket skills. In Science, the children planned and carried out their own investigation into friction, using newton meters to measure forces. In Computing, we have been programming micro:bits, learning how to code them to work as step counters, with plenty of 'debugging' required! Finally, in Geography, we have launched our new enquiry question: "Is all of Europe the same?" The children have begun exploring similarities and differences across European countries. A very busy but fantastic start to the summer term – well done, Year 5!

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