

Year 5 News 20th December 2024









What we've been learning recently

English – We have recently come to the end of our learning journey focused on stories from different cultures, inspired by the text *Secrets of a Sun King* by Emma Carroll. As we wrapped up this unit, the children spent time editing and improving their narratives, showcasing their growth as writers. This week, we transitioned to explanation writing, using the magic of wish-making as a stimulus. The children have been crafting their own explanations, combining creativity with structure to explain the fascinating process of making wishes come true.

Maths — The first half of our fractions journey has ended, with addition and subtraction of fractions now very much embedded in the children's learning. After the Christmas break, we will move on to our second unit of multiplication and division and I'm sure the children will be more than ready for it.

Wider Curriculum – Our Wow Day was a fantastic celebration of ancient Egyptian culture! The children arrived in creative costumes and spent the day making canopic jars, amulets, and jewellery, mummifying oranges, tasting foods, and finished with a Kahoot quiz. A wonderful way to conclude and celebrate our learning about the Ancient Egyptians!

When we return...

- We will begin a persuasive writing unit based on the text 'Hidden Figures' a book based on the true story of four black women (Dorothy Vaughn, Mary Jackson, Katherine Johnson and Christine Darden) and the Space Race between Russia and America.
- Our second unit on multiplication and division will commence and children will master those written calculation methods
- We will start our new science learning journey, all about space- we are very excited!

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Important Notices

PE Kit – A reminder that our PE day is on Monday from January. The children will have Pro 20 teaching them football. Please ensure your child wears their full PE kit for outdoor games.

Year 5 Assembly – 30th January (more information to follow in the new year).

Thank you so much for your incredible support throughout this term. We'd like to take this opportunity to wish you all a joyful and restful Christmas, and we look forward to working together again in the new year!

Shining Stars

Congratulations to our Shining Stars from last week for demonstrating determination.

5B - George and Seb

5W - Harry C and Molly