

## Year 3 Report for Governors - Summer Term 2021

We were delighted to return to school in March to see all our teachers and friends and we quickly got back into the swing of things!

We had lots to catch up on so reading, writing and maths were a real focus. In Maths we worked on multiplication and division whilst continuing to learn and apply our times tables knowledge. We also completed lots of work on fractions, consolidating our Year 2 work and learning new facts. We continue to chant our 'Maths Dictionary' in the afternoon.

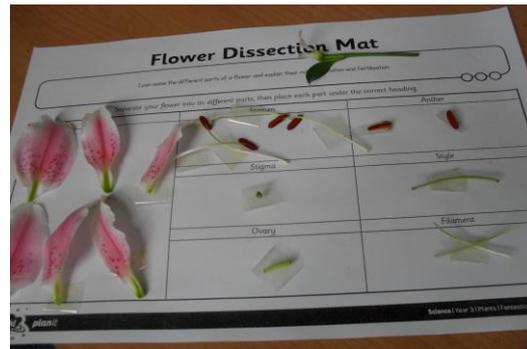
In Literacy we finished reading 'Leon and the Place Between' and this included writing a report about the circus. We have been fitting in lots of extra reading and have tackled some great new, challenging VIPERS sessions about making a prawn pizza and important facts about sugar. These have helped to develop our retrieval and summarising skills.

As part of our Geography topic about 'Food' we found out where the food we eat comes from and how it travels here. We researched food from different countries and enjoyed some P4C enquiries about food distribution and Fairtrade. We also got to try some tasty foods from around the world. We loved the Australian fairy bread but the beef jerky was a bit chewy for some of us. We also designed, cooked and evaluated our own mini vegetable pizzas. Some of us were brave and tried toppings we had not tasted before.



We have been keeping our bodies fit and healthy in PE sessions. We have taken part in hockey and tennis sessions and our hand eye coordination and ball control have really improved.

We have really enjoyed our Science work this term and particularly enjoyed studying plants. We learned about pollination and germination. We even got the chance to dissect a lily and look at all the plant parts in detail. We planted our own seeds as part of Mental Health Awareness week. We carried out two investigations. One was to find out the best amount of water to give to a basil plant and the other was to study water transportation in a flower - the white flower turned bright pink!



In History, we are now learning about The Victorians. Mr Davies bought in a working model steam engine that belongs to his father. It was so exciting to see the steam it produced. You can watch the video on our website. We have also been using our sketch books and completing lots of great art activities including colour matching with water colours, exploring objects through touch alone and even a pen disco!

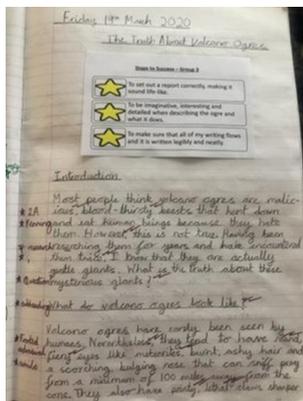


We have really enjoyed watching the new building extension proceed. We get the best view of the action from our playground at lunchtime! We are now looking forward to a trip to Birkenhead Park - it will be lovely to go on a school trip again!

## Year 4 Report for Governors - Summer Term 2021

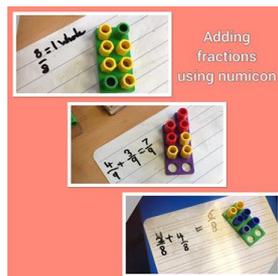
We were so pleased to be back at school, despite all the fun home learning tasks. We quickly settled back in to school life and got straight to work.

In Literacy we did a fantastic unit of work about 'Mountain Ogres'. This followed on well from our 'Beowulf' topic and the Talk for Writing process helped us develop our own ideas and use our imagination. Lots of additional reading with some lovely new books has helped us to get back on track. We have also studied a poem about Russian Dolls in our VIPERS sessions - Mr Yeowell brought in some Russian dolls for us to look at. It was a very clever poem about how people can be just like Russian dolls.



We are currently reading and enjoying our Edward Tulane book and this has inspired us to write poems, letters and diaries. We are looking forward to stitching our own white rabbits in DT very soon.

In Maths, we have been really busy catching up and of course, learning lots of new maths skills. We have been doing lots of work on fractions and have even worked with improper fractions. We are also busy learning our times tables as we know how important this is. On 'National Numeracy Day', we played a carousel of maths games to consolidate all aspects of maths such as - money, place value and mental calculations.



We also had an exciting art day where we created our own Gaudi inspired 3D lizards. We worked in pairs to create a wire frame, then moulded the shape with masking tape. Finally, we decorated them with layers of colourful tissue paper. You can see them hanging and climbing all over the year 4 classrooms!



We have really enjoyed our Science topic on sound. We made our own straw kazoos - I think the teachers wished we hadn't! We also investigated sound proofing using different materials. The 'Silly Science' workshop for 'National Science Week' was great fun and gave lots of us the chance to volunteer and get involved.



We are enjoying our new history topic about the Romans. As part of our home learning, we were asked to make a Roman artefact. Look at this amazing giant shield!



Many of our children have been awarded 'Over and Above' prizes this term in assembly and we are very proud of their behaviour both in and outside of school. We continue to look forward to lots of new experiences as we finish our time in Year 4.

