



THE FRIDAY FOCUS



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The fortnightly Friday Focus is the chance for every class at Clavering to share their learning with the Clavering School community. This is a great opportunity to find out what each year group has been up to and engage in conversations around learning.

WHOLE SCHOOL HARVEST 2021

On Wednesday 13th October, we came together as a whole school to celebrate harvest festival. The hall was decorated with straw and grain kindly donated from the Balaam family and all the generous food donations were on display.

The children sang very enthusiastically three songs that they had been practising with Mrs Tokeley and Miss Crosby – Conkers, The Harvest Samba and our favourite Paintbox Song.

Each class had prepared and shared some work related to harvest:

Reception Class showed their scarecrows and Autumn tree paintings and then we watched a video of the class performing an apple poem and singing a harvest song.

Class 1 painted and read out a harvest food alphabet. They did brilliantly as some of the letters were tricky to find foods for!

Class 2 learned and performed a wonderful harvest poem.

Class 3 wrote about different foods using wonderful descriptive language.

Class 4 read out lovely harvest poems they had written.

Class 5 had produced some superb tonal art work using different Autumn colour palettes.

Class 6 closed the service with some beautifully written and thoughtful prayers.

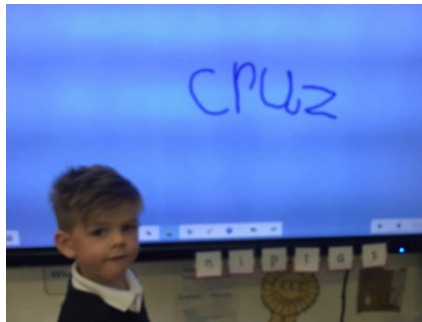
Thank you to all the children, staff and parents for contributing to this special celebration and an enormous thank you to all those families who donated food for the Uttlesford Food Bank in Saffron Walden.



RECEPTION

Fine Motor Activities – we are enjoying our daily fine motor sessions which help to strengthen our fingers and hands ready for writing. We are really improving and being resilient even when we find things a bit tricky. We know it's ok to make marvellous mistakes and that we learn from these – even Mrs Course and Mrs Berrett!!!

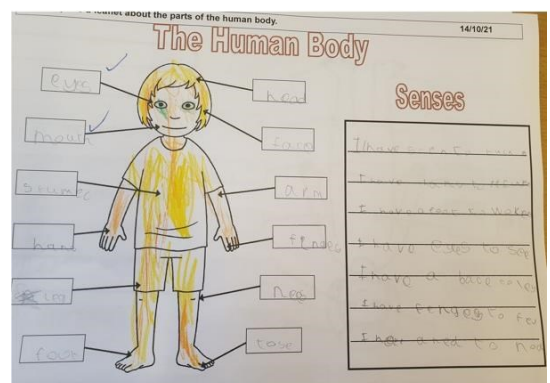
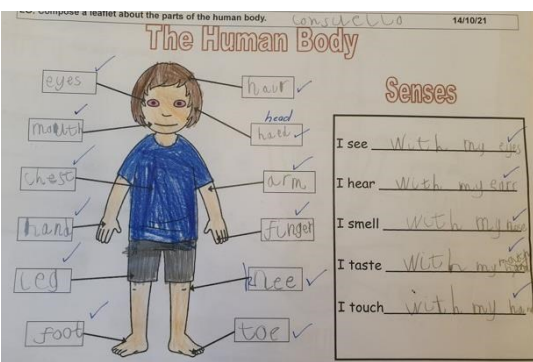
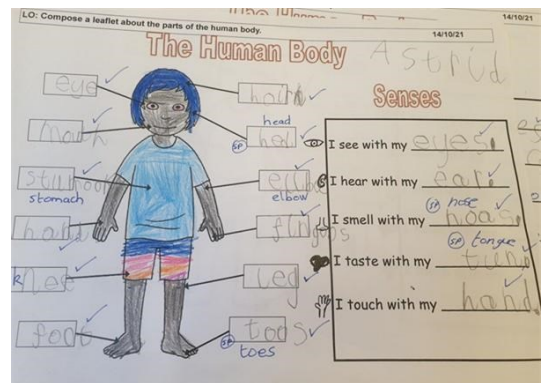
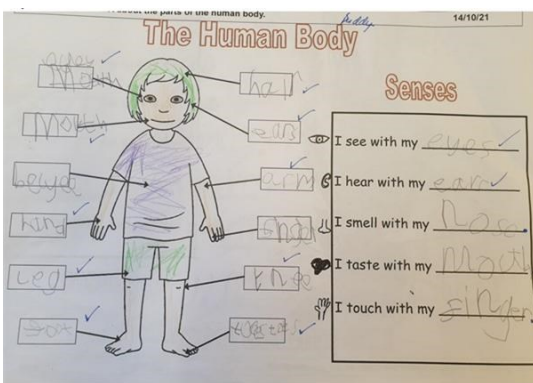
We have been threading, stretching elastic bands and making shapes on geoboards, letter formation using roll and write and putting paper-clips onto card. The screen notebook is also very popular in the provision for practising letter formation and drawing. The children are encouraged to pour their own drinks at snack time from a jug.



"I found this tricky at first but now I'm doing it." Nell

CLASS 1

Class 1 have been wonderful scientists demonstrating their knowledge and skills learnt in our topic about the human body. They created a leaflet about parts of the human body also explaining what parts are used for each of our senses.



CLASS 2

Class Two revisited their previous Computing learning this week by programming and de-bugging the BeeBots. They enjoyed setting the program, thinking about if there was a 'bug' (the BeeBot didn't do as they expected) and 'de-bugging' to correct the programme



CLASS 3 & 4

On Wednesday afternoon classes 3 and 4 went to JFAN to take part in a multiskills afternoon. We worked round a carousel of activities aimed at teaching us new skills and developing those we already have. We worked on our dribbling skills for football and hockey, aiming when throwing, passing for netball and football as well as general agility, speed and stamina skills. We all gave great effort and had a great afternoon!



CLASS 5

Year 5 have been designing and making autumnal soups to impress the kitchen. Their soups need to be healthy, seasonal, tasty and attractive and the kitchen staff are evaluating the soups when completed. The groups have loved using the food tech room and working together to make and present their soups – and the ladies in the kitchen have loved tasting them!



CLASS 6

In Year 6 this half term we have been training to be good Playleaders. For homework we created a game suitable for children to play at lunchtime. We tried out our games with Class 2 and thought about how we could improve or modify our games. We have been taking turns at lunchtime to organise and play these games with the younger children. Also, in our PHSE lesson we have discussed having empathy with others and how we can help other children when they are upset or feeling lonely. Hopefully, next term we will all be graduating as Playleaders at a special assembly where we will be given a certificate and our own Playleader hat.



Look out for the next edition after half term