CLASS 4

Class 4 have had a busy term packed full of wonderful learning. In music we have been learning to play brass instruments with Mr Malam from the Essex music service. We have enjoyed learning a number of notes and songs on the trombone, trumpet or euphonium.



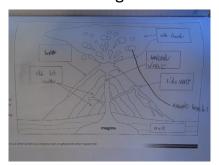


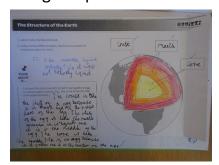
In science we have been learning about states of matter in which we have done a number of experiments including the effect of heat on chocolate, rates of evaporation as well as practising using thermometers. We have also learnt about the water cycle and create storyboards of Walter the water droplet's journey through this.

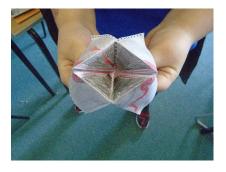




In geography we have been learning about volcanos and the structure of the earth. We have explored what tectonic plates are and what part they play in volcanic eruptions as well as creating chatterboxes showing the parts of a volcano.









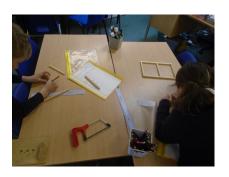


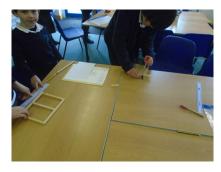
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During art week we explored the painting "A Shipwreck in Stormy Seas" by Claude Joseph Vernet. From this painting we explored the spice trade and created tie-dye squares-we used dyes made from turmeric, red cabbage and beetroot. We left our fabric soaking overnight. They were then added to our class display as sails.



In DT we have been making Roman catapults out of wood. We have looked at the original designs the Romans used and then created our own using a design criterion before making them using wood, cardboard and glue. We are hoping to have them finished this week!









OLASS 5

Well, the Spring term has flown by! We've had lots of fun in Art Week — exploring wire sculptures and learning to place ourselves in a painting using the PicCollage app.





We enjoyed the beautiful weather on our geography fieldwork day at Daws Hall on the River Stour and taking part in the inaugural Bishops Stortford Rugby Club Community Tag Rugby tournament.





We have enjoyed researching and learning about the Solar System in Science. The children are now well equipped to discuss the difference between rotating and orbiting and are very clear that the Sun does not move! In Computing, we loved building our own art galleries using SketchUp. There were some interestingly shaped buildings with some well-placed interiors. One of our favourite lessons has been dance in PE – we had so much fun learning a Rock n' Roll dance and using freezeframe in our dancing around the theme

'snapshot'.



We've learnt about rooms in the home in French and Easter celebrations in France – we hope you appreciated our French joke in your batik Easter cards - and we've learnt all about the tragic sinking of HMS Titanic after reading Hardy's classic poem, Convergence of the Twain. In the last couple of weeks, we've also introduced the children to Tolkien's The Hobbit, thinking about the unusual hero, Bilbo, and writing from the perspective of Gollum.