



# 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.

## RECEPTION

We returned to school with great attitudes working hard as soon as we came in! We welcomed Harrison to our class too. Reception class enjoyed a glorious outdoor PE session with Mr Snelling, improving our spatial awareness and hand-eye coordination. We loved using the tag belts and 'earrings'. We worked with a partner to try to 'steal' tags without running – we had to walk. It was quite a challenge. Thank you to Mr Snelling for instilling great skills and sport strategies in the children.



## CLASS 1

In Class 1 in computing we have been learning about algorithms (sets of instructions) and programming using Beebots. We have been giving the Beebots instructions to get them from one place to another, we then moved onto using treasure maps and trying to move the Beebots around to specific places on the map. Finally, we were given a set of instructions to give our Beebot, with the task of debugging (fixing the mistake) the algorithm to send them to the correct location!



## CLASS 2

For our PE session this week, we tried out Yoga. We started by greeting the session with Namaste. As a class we talked about the importance of calm, controlled breathing and how this can help our mental health stay positive. The children practiced breathing in and out slowly for counts of 3's and 4's. Many children chose to close their eyes so they could focus in on their breathing. Once the class was calm and ready, the children learnt different yoga poses with an ocean theme. Turtle, seal, starfish, boat, dolphin and jellyfish (which was a tricky balance pose!)



Turtle



Starfish



Boat



## CLASS 3

Class 3 have begun our new Topic on the Vikings and Anglo-Saxons. We had great fun making our giant timeline (on the playground!) of the significant events during this era. The children were able to put the events into chronological order. They were full of questions and excited to go further into the Topic!



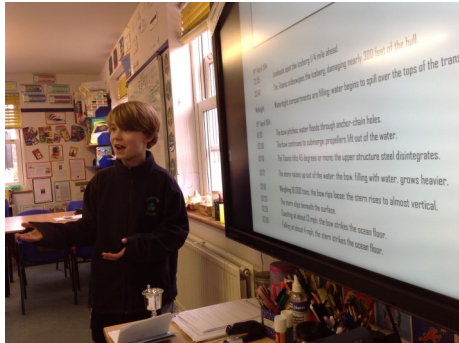
## CLASS 4

In computing, we have been exploring coding using Scratch. This week, we have been creating animations where our sprites dance to a piece of music. We enjoyed comparing different dances with other groups and then once we had achieved this, we revisited other skills that we learnt before half term such as making our sprites move in different directions and changing the colour of our costumes.



## CLASS 5

Year 5 have loved learning about the Titanic and have put together some amazing presentations, which they have bravely and confidently given to the class. They have written poems inspired by Hardy's poem, Convergence of the Twain, and have written their own news reports about the event, taking care to answer the key questions of what, when, where, how and why.



## CLASS 6

Class 6 have completed our Art project on water, creating our own versions of Monet and Hockney's famous pieces. We are very proud of our pictures which are now displayed inside the classroom and in the corridor.

We have now started our new topic on Coasts; we have revised the water cycle and identified coastal towns and cities around the UK.



Look out for the next edition on 10th March 2023