

## CLASS 5

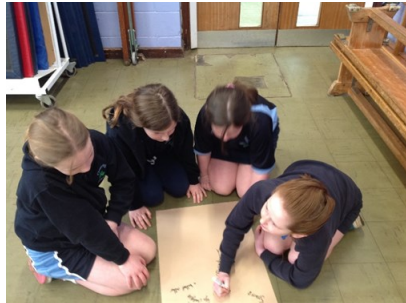
Class 5 have been enjoying learning ball control skills in their cricket sessions with Chris, the cricket coach. They have practised bowling with a straight arm and fielding skills to pick up, pass and catch the ball quickly and effectively.



We have been looking at the art work of Maggi Hambling and JMW Turner in our art lessons, comparing the styles of these two artists and producing our own work inspired by theirs. Some wonderful art has been produced and is now decorating our classroom for you to enjoy on tray day!



We very much enjoyed the author visit during Book Week, especially the drama activities. The children's enthusiasm was reflected in their thank you letters to Mr Allen, which have been forwarded on to him, and we look forward to seeing some hero scientists in our classroom in future.



The children have enjoyed making boats in science. They have learnt about water resistance and how it is possible to reduce the effects of water (and air resistance) by making their boats streamlined. The children's boats were blown across a water tray using a handheld fan. Well done to Isaac and William – their boat got across the water in a record of 3.87 seconds (closely followed by Oscar and Teddy's boat which took 4.25 seconds to get across!) meaning these boats had the least water resistance!



## CLASS 6

Class 6 all dressed up as their favourite character from a book or as an adjective. We had great fun in class guessing what or who each person was.



In preparation to David Allen's visit Year 6 wrote their own biographies on Ibn al-Haytham a scientist who lived over a thousand years ago. He wrote 90 books of which 55 still survive about lots of areas of science and maths. Ibn al-Haytham, was the first scientist who drew a diagram of the inverted image the eye actually sees and how the eye is attached the optic nerve.

On Tuesday, the author David Allen spoke to the whole school about his book and what had inspired him to become an author. He told us about returning to his old junior school and how his interest in science had first been inspired by one of his teachers when he was 8 years old. David Allen told us about the different scientists he had interviewed as part of the research for his book and how he and his partner both worked on the book during Lockdown. Overall, it took them a year to write their book which is now on its fifth reprint.

Afterwards, David Allen led a drama workshop with Years 5 and 6 – which was great fun! Can you guess what object they are?



Finally, Class 6 had an opportunity to ask David Allen lots of questions about his life and career so far. We all really enjoyed meeting him and look forward to reading his next book.