



THE FRIDAY FOCUS

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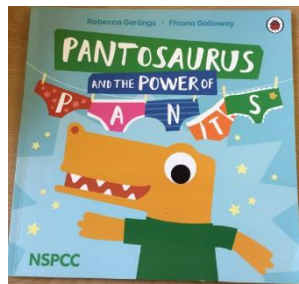


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The fortnightly Friday Focus is the chance for every class at Clavering to share their learning with the Clavering school community. This is a great opportunity to find out what each year group has been up to and engage in conversations around learning.

RECEPTION

Pantosaurus -we enjoyed listening to the story of Pantosaurus and singing the wonderful song that reminds us of the importance of wearing pants! The children all designed some special pants to display in the classroom.



Reception have been enjoying their time outside exploring what the Autumn trees have to offer. They love to bug hunt and create using natural resources. They are going to LOVE their first trip to Forest School this week.

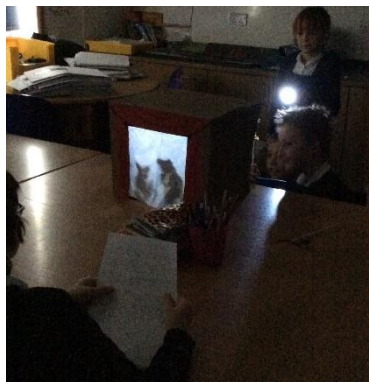


In PE we have been finding different ways to travel and balance with a bean bag! They have balanced bean bags on their feet and then kicked it up to try and catch it – quite tricky!



CLASS 3

In Science, Class 3 are learning about light and shadows. Over the past couple of weeks, we have made our own shadow puppet theatres. We learnt how to ensure the shadows formed are the correct size by measuring the distance between the torch and the puppets. The closer to the light source the bigger the shadow.



CLASS 4

Before half term, Class 4 had a fantastic day visiting Audley End House where we learnt about the lives of the Victorian families and their workers who lived there. We spent the morning visiting the nursery and the coal gallery as well as taking part in an artefact hunt around the house. We were really interested to hear about the secret doorways that has been built in certain rooms! After lunch, we visited the servant quarters which included the kitchen and the laundry rooms where we had a go at washing, drying, ironing and folding sheets as neatly as possible. We then walked around the extensive grounds and completed a tree trail. Finally, we visited the stables where we learnt how the coachmen and the grooms took care of the horses and we also saw how the Victorians would bond with their horses before riding them.



CLASS 5

Year 5 have been learning tag rugby skills with Mr Snelling, preparing for their rugby tournament in a couple of weeks. They have been learning not to pass the ball forward, to spread out the defence line across the field and to run the ball into space before scoring a try. They have made huge progress over the half term, and we look forward to seeing them show this in the tournament.



CLASS 6

Last term, as part of our History Topic on World War One and English work on explanations and instructions the children made Trench cake. After they experienced making the cake, they wrote their version of the recipe including an explanation about Trench cake, ingredient list and method. Trench cake was made back in Britain and posted out to soldiers on the front line, it needed to be a compact cake that could survive a long time in transport. Due to rationing at the time and the nature of preserving the cake eggs (a luxury item) were not used in the recipe but replaced with vinegar. The children tasted the cake a few days after making it and a few days later and were pleased with the results. They all agreed if they were a soldier in the trenches, they would be very pleased to receive this cake from loved ones.

