



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

The children in Reception class are now doing full days and are settling really well. Our big focus is on the three prime areas of the curriculum – Personal, Social and Emotional Development, Communication and Language and Physical Development.

We have started our P.E. lessons and the children were really independent and determined when getting changed! We are very proud of them all.

During the Summer, each child created their own 'Chatterbox' collecting special items about their time during the Summer and things about themselves. Each child has had the opportunity to share their Chatterbox sitting in front of the whole class and speaking confidently while their friends listen. We have learned so much about the children, their family, interests and pets doing this. Afterwards, the class have the chance to ask questions or say comments. This has been wonderful for the C & L part of the curriculum and building confidence. Well done, Reception.



YEAR 1

Last Friday, the year 1 children had a lovely morning back in the forest - building dens, finding minibeasts and lots of imaginative play. It was amazing to see how creative they can be. Thank you very much to the parents who joined us, and Mrs Thomas who led the activities. The children already cannot wait to go again soon!



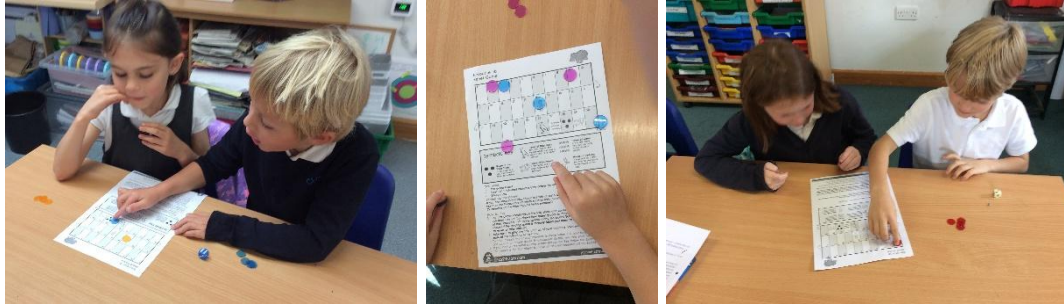
YEAR 2

In Computing Class 2 have started learning about programming. For our first lesson, we learnt about 'algorithms' 'bugs' and 'debugging'. We linked back to our Year 1 unit of programming 'BeeBots' to try and programme Miss Hagger. But when our instructions weren't clear enough she kept doing the wrong thing! This was called a bug. As a class we then had to work out how to debug her. After this, we went to the hall and tried programming our partner to move from one place to another. Next lesson we are going to apply this learning to using the programme Scratch Jr on laptops.



YEAR 3

In history we are continuing to learn about Ancient Egypt. This week we discussed what pastimes were popular in Ancient Egyptian times and how they differ or are like what we do today. One similarity which we discovered was playing board games, so we played a version of an Ancient Egyptian game called Senet. We had lots of fun!



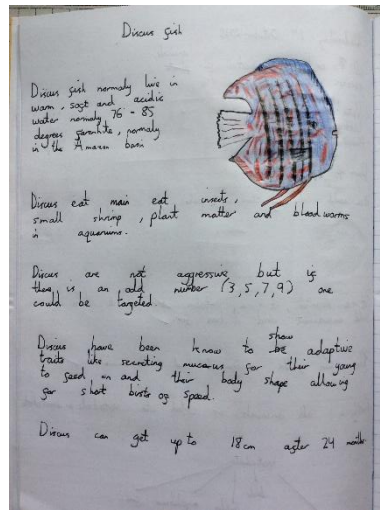
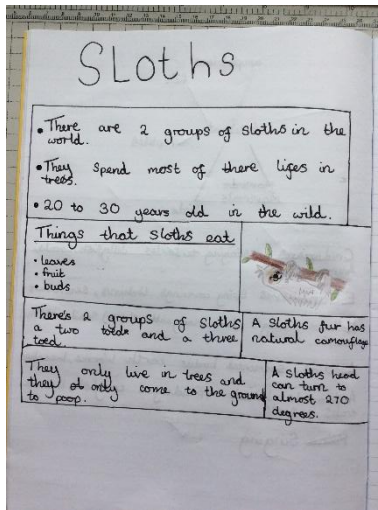
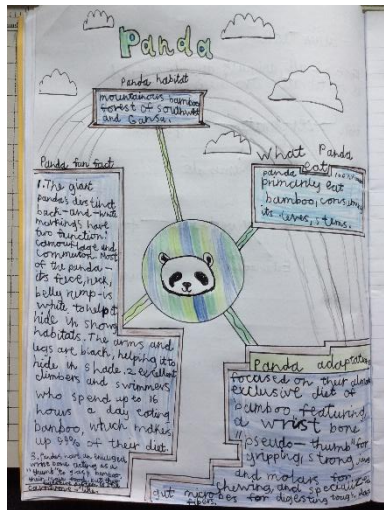
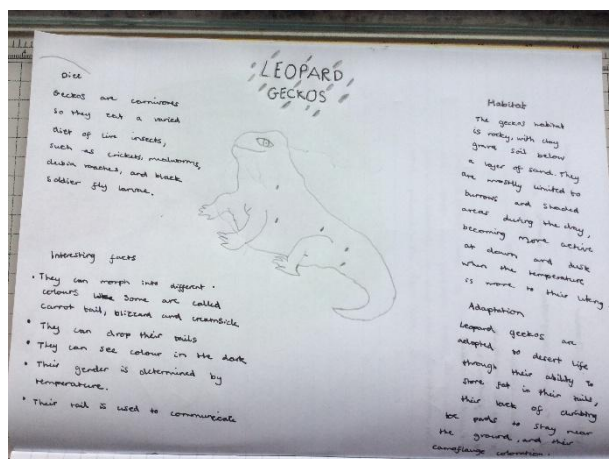
YEAR 4 & YEAR 5

This week, Years 4 and 5 have been practising their long distance running for the cross-country event coming up which some of us will be attending. We warmed up with some quick sprints in our year groups and then we paced ourselves for our laps of the field trying to beat our personal best scores. Well done everyone you really challenged yourselves today!



YEAR 6

In Science, we have been continuing with our topic 'Living things and their habitats'. This week, we have focused on classifying animals – starting with vertebrates and then invertebrates. We further classified these two types with five types of vertebrates: birds, mammals, fish, amphibians and reptiles. After that we looked at different types of invertebrates: cnidarians, echinoderms, molluscs, annelids and arthropods. The children then chose an animal to research and present their findings in their own way.



Watch out for the next edition of the Friday Focus on the 17th October 2025!