



Humanities Blog - Spring 1

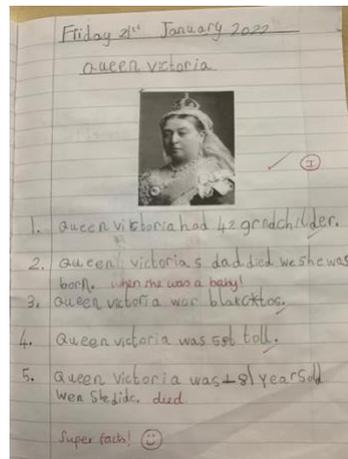
Early Years

In Early Years, the children have really enjoyed learning about the history of dinosaurs. Our topic tables were able to help the children understand what the world look like during the Jurassic era. In addition to this, the children enjoyed being archaeologists and discovering dinosaur fossils in the sand.



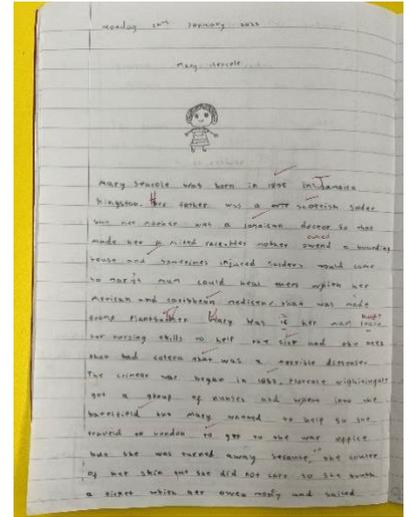
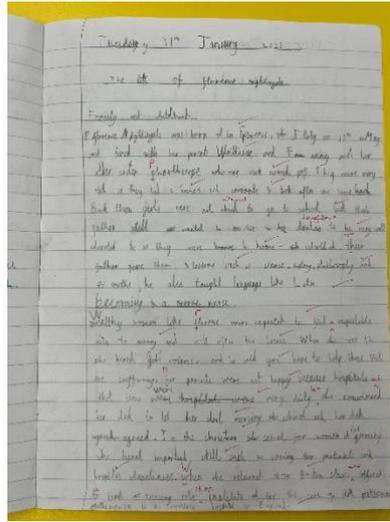
Year 1

This half term, Year 1 have been learning about Kings and Queens during our history lessons. Children were introduced to significant British monarchs and have been learning about their important roles. One of the key monarchs we were focusing on this half-term was Queen Victoria - the children thoroughly enjoyed learning about her and recalled some interesting facts. Year 1 have visited Windsor castle at the end of this half-term as part of our history topic which gave them better understanding of the life of monarchs. The children found the castle fascinating and could not stop talking about it!



Year 2

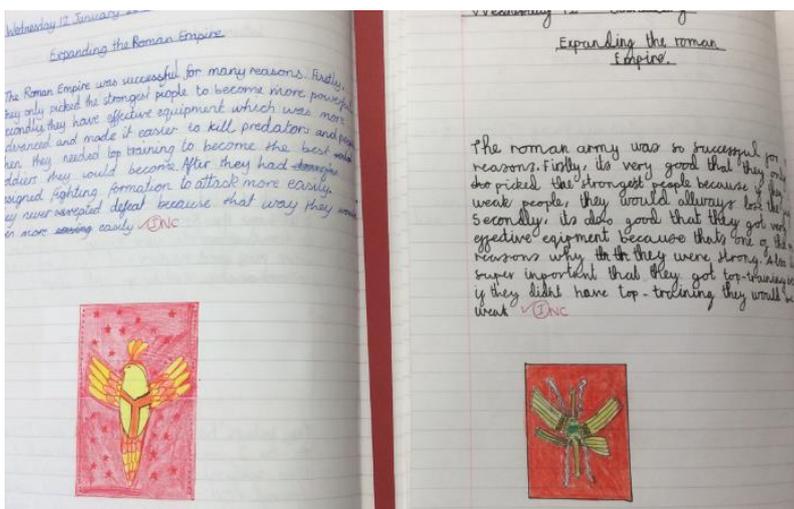
Year Two have spent this half term learning all about some fantastic inspirational women from the past. We have spent weeks exploring the exciting lives of Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole. We participated in a workshop with the National Army Museum and went on a fascinating trip to the Florence Nightingale Museum in London. This linked with our literacy work and has helped children to develop their vocabulary and enhance their written work.



Year 3

This half term Year 3 have been learning about the Romans. We began the topic exploring the questions **'WHERE, WHEN and HOW did the Roman Empire begin?'**

As part of the topic, Year 3 pupils have been learning about why the Roman army was so successful and have designed their own Roman shield. They then spent the day as Romans and got to dress like Romans, eat like Romans and battle like the Roman army. They explored the different army formations using the shields they made that morning! We had great fun battling against the different classes.



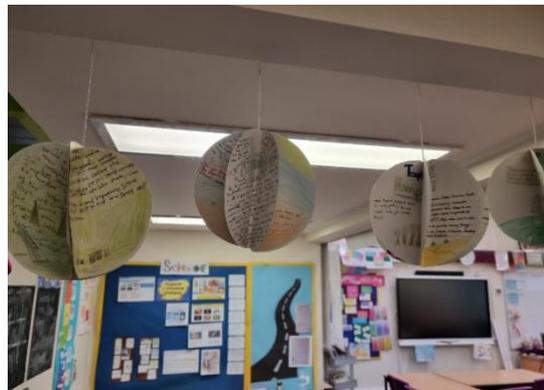
Year 4

As part of the 'Rivers' topic in Geography, students explored a river's journey, through an art medium. Students enjoyed creating the art work, further exploring the wisdom of the Earth and how it collects water from the land around it, and leads it towards the sea.



Year 5

This half Term Year 5 children learnt about climate zones and biomes. Children researched in detail one of the biomes to understand the relationship between climate and eco-system. Children identified oceans and continents and they studied hemisphere habitats too. We focused especially on deserts as a biome and we used it in our English topic. Children were asked to complete a 'Keep a plastic diary', recording how much single-use plastic they use in a week. We know that tonnes of plastic goes into making items that we use once for just a few minutes and these single-use plastics can last for hundreds of years. Children were encouraged to find out about the impact of plastic in the oceans as a challenge and to record some notes in their homework book. After they children researched all of the world's biomes they created fantastic posters.



Year 6

In Year 6, we have really enjoyed finding out what the Ancient Greeks and Romans have done for us today. We didn't realise how many companies were named after the gods, how influential philosophers were on how we think today and just how many buildings are still standing from these eras. It is fair to say we keep changing our mind on who we think has had the greater influence on us today.

