Paddock Wood Primary School



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Term 3 SPORTS SPECIAL FEATURE...

As a school, we are immensely proud of our many achievements in curriculum and learning, however our excellence is not just displayed within the classrooms; languages, music, and outdoor education are priorities, alongside the more traditional subjects. The high level at which we compete in sport in particular has, year-on-year, demonstrated our commitment to teaching children the focus and drive to 'be the best' you can be, in everything you do.

The awards cabinet in the library, is full of trophies PWPS have won in: district, regional and area competitions. Specifically, our Year 5 & 6 A and B football teams, have consistently won matches, due to the

time and energy they give in training.





Following on from winning the Tunbridge Wells School 6-a-side competition, the A -Team went on to compete in the Kent Regional Championships (for the second time in three years). Congratulations to this years' team for progressing all the way to the finals and becoming Kent Region Finalists/Runners Up, as well as West Kent Champions. Everybody at the school is exceptionally proud of their achievements.

We look forward to seeing how the Year 3 & 4 teams progress this year, as well as developments in hockey, athletics and netball matches coming up...



'Fit Club' has become a popular choice for children in Key Stage 2, as they understand the importance to their health and work hard to improve stamina. Mrs Bienz and Mr Cole work them hard on a Friday lunchtime and many teachers have started to join in too!



From sporting heroes to superheroes!

EYFS discovered, on Monday morning, their classrooms were covered with frozen peas and a mysterious letter had been left from Supertato; Evil Pea had escaped! The children then listened to a story, which explained who troublesome Evil Pea was and how Supertato saved all the vegetables. This has led to story maps, actions and speech bubbles, as the children excitedly explore these characters.

Outside, as superheroes themselves, the children have made potions to trap Evil Pea and practiced their super power skills, throwing and aiming to knock down the villain (using cans this time!).



Learning in school so far...

This week's highlights:

A penguin arrived in each Year 1 class, at the start of Term 3, along with a book called 'Lost and Found', by Oliver Jeffers. From this story, Year 1 have enjoyed learning and improving skills in: collage, pencil and charcoal, to recreate penguins.

To find out more about Antarctica, they have made maps, to show and describe the location of different animals, using compass directions.

They are all very much looking forward to meeting 'real' penguins at Wingham Wildlife Park in the next few weeks, to add to their knowledge.

Year 3 are currently reading a book, 'Stone Age Boy', by Satoshi Kitamura; it tells the tale of a boy who falls down a hole, in to the Stone Age!

The children have used the text to inspire writing, with a focus on adverbial phrases, and art, creating cave paintings. Before scribing, they acted out jobs the character may have done and used their ideas to structure a letter to their family. The cave paintings were recreated using pastels and charcoal; they illustrate what life was like during the Stone Age. Juliette wrote:

'...When I first saw Om she didn't look anything like the girls I knew and I think I didn't look anything like the boys she knew. As the sun went down, I slowly dozed off, Om did the same. When I woke up, Om was waiting. She was waiting for me...'





Dates for the diary:

Tuesday 29 January – Friday 1 February: Year 5 Residential trip Monday 4 February: Smash to attend Young Voices at the O2 Tuesday 5 February – Wednesday 6 February: Drama Workshops Friday 8 February: Valentine Disco Tuesday 12 February – Friday 15 February: Year 5 Residential trip