Weekly Learning Reflections

Week Beginning: 29th January 2024



Good afternoon Class Loyal families.

Another busy week in Year 6 has come to an end, with plenty of successes to celebrate.

Early in the week, the class completed, edited and improved their narrative pieces centred around 'The Tiger who sleeps under my chair'. We have focused heavily on writing targets this week and the class worked hard and used the resources around them to aim to meet them in their descriptive writing. The original extract from the book was such a hit with the children last week that I decided that this book would need to be a new addition to our class bookshelf. This has now become our new class novel and we are excited to see how the story develops over the next few weeks.

Today, we turned our attention to practising our reading skills and we used an information text about The Shard to do this. We talked about key strategies for navigating around a text like this, before becoming Master Reporters and locating key information from it.

There has been more writing going on this week, with the class completing their Portsmouth Blitz newspapers, complete with reported and direct quotes from authentic witnesses and key information collected from their research sessions earlier in the term. They are now publishing these, complete with headlines and pictures from the time. You should be very proud of your final newspaper reports Class Loyal, they are fantastic!

After spending an extra day perfecting our skills when working with percentages, our Big Problem was moved to Monday. At Ranvilles, we are always trying to demonstrate how the maths skills they learn are important life skills. This week's Big Problem really exemplified this, with Year 6 completing a Trolley Dash in Tesco! They were tasked with shopping for essentials but were faced with different options of prices and discounts. To be successful, they needed to identify the cheapest option for the shop. A great effort by all and it was so fantastic to see them working with such confidence.

We concluded our RE learning journey this week, which as been all about 'ritual'. The final lesson saw the children making a personal response to the learning in the form of art. In computing, they continued to produce an educational poster for Year 5 about the role played by Bletchley Park in World War 2.

Now on to star of the week. The class voted for Elsie, for showing great perseverance in her learning all week and collaborating well with others. My vote went to Flynn, who has really exemplified what it means to be an effective Ranvilles learner this week – superb attitude in every lesson, independence and superb collaboration skills too. Well done to you both.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend. See you on Monday Class Loyal.

Mrs Holmes