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Year 1

This week, Year 1 enjoyed their first practical maths lesson! The children used counters and ten frames to represent numbers in different ways, working together to build, recognise and record each number. It was wonderful to see everyone learning through hands-on exploration and confidently explaining their mathematical thinking.



Year 1 visited our provision area for the very first time! The children loved exploring the different activities, including sensory play, small-world animals, construction and imaginative role play. They worked cooperatively, shared resources and used their creativity and communication skills while learning through play. It was wonderful to see so much excitement, curiosity and teamwork!



In History, Year 1 have been exploring our new unit, 'How Do We Make History? The children brought in special photographs and confidently shared memories from their childhood with the class. We discussed how these moments belong to the past, while the choices and experiences we have today become part of our own personal history. The children also developed their understanding of timelines and used the key vocabulary past, present and future.





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Year 2

Year 2 have had a wonderful first week of learning. They settled into their routines beautifully and showed great enthusiasm each morning, especially during their reading tasks. The class also had lots of fun practising their hula-hoop skills, cheering each other on and enjoying being active together. It's been a fantastic start, and we're excited for all the learning ahead.



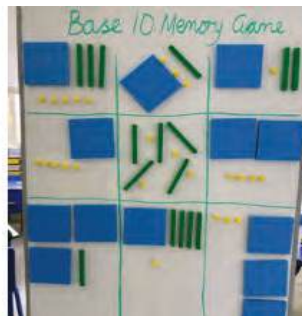
Year 3

Year 3 has made a fantastic start to the new school year! Everyone has settled in really well and has enjoyed taking part in a range of fun class bonding activities, helping us to get to know one another and build a positive classroom community. The children have also made a brilliant start to the Year 3 curriculum, showing lots of enthusiasm, hard work and a positive attitude towards their learning. We are very proud of how well everyone has settled in and are looking forward to an exciting and successful year ahead!



Year 4

This week in Year 4, we have been developing our understanding of place value up to 10,000. The children have enjoyed using Base 10 manipulatives to represent numbers, partition numbers into thousands, hundreds, tens and ones and explore different ways to partition numbers flexibly. These practical activities have helped the children build confidence in understanding the value of each digit and recognise that numbers can be composed and partitioned in a variety of ways.





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This week in English, the children have been using story maps to help them learn and internalise our model text. They have used pictures, actions and key vocabulary to support their retelling, helping them to become more confident and familiar with the structure and language of the text.

Year 5

Year 5 Art and Design: bridge design challenge!

This week, Year 5 have been putting their creative thinking and problem-solving skills to the test as they explored the world of bridge design!

The children investigated beam and arch bridges, discovering how the shape, thickness and layering of materials can make structures stronger and stiffer. They then became bridge designers themselves, experimenting with different ways to reinforce their structures before putting them to the ultimate test – how many blocks could their bridge hold before it collapsed?

There were plenty of predictions, redesigns and excited reactions as our young designers discovered that sometimes the best ideas come from testing, adapting and trying again!



Year 6

Year 6 Spy Gadget Challenge!

Our Year 6 pupils kicked off their new Talk for Writing persuasive unit with an exciting spy gadget challenge! Their mission? To design an entirely original gadget that could help a secret agent on their next mission.

With creativity, imagination and plenty of persuasive thinking, our aspiring inventors carefully considered their gadget's features, functions and benefits before preparing to convince and persuade others that their invention was the ultimate spy essential!

Who knows... perhaps we have some future inventors and secret agents in Year 6!





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EYFS T4W Training

On Monday, we enjoyed a twilight training session on Talk for Writing in EYFS, which focused on the importance of invention throughout the whole writing journey. A key takeaway was ensuring children have regular opportunities to orally explore, create and invent their own stories, building their confidence as storytellers and developing the ideas and language patterns they can later draw upon in their writing! We're excited for the next session and have come away feeling inspired!

