Pensilva Primary School Newsletter

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Friday 18th March 2022

Wrens class

Wrens class have been learning about the life cycle of a frog.



Doves class

We had a very exciting science lesson this week. The children came into the classroom to find Minecraft figures trapped in ice! In small groups they had to plan an investigation to rescue them without smashing the ice







with a hammer, as some suggested! Next week we are going to be carrying out our investigations to see if our ideas to rescue the Minecraft figures work. There was lots of discussion about needing to warm the ice so that it melts and about what the children could do to warm up their ice.

Puffins Class

Our unit in art this term is learning about Prehistoric Art. We will be experimenting with charcoal, berries, leaves, handmade prints and more. We will get a sense of what it was like to create art thousands of years ago and why these pieces were created. In our first lesson we discussed and looked at examples of cave art, we reflected upon the purpose of the drawings and how lots





of the drawings were of wild animals. 17,000 years ago, these wild animals were their primary source of food and were very important to them.

We discussed if we wanted to show people in 5,000 years' time what our favourite animals native to Britain were, what would we draw. We listed barn owl, badger, fox, deer, seal, robin. We then created a simple line drawing of a chosen animal, trying to replicate the prehistoric style in our sketch books.

Buzzards Class

Buzzard Class have evaluated their finished waistcoats to finish our DT project. The waistcoats look brilliant and are all very unique. We will wear them with pride for Comic Relief. We had another great Forest School session building shelters to protect us from 'Storm Tubby' this week. The

shelters were mainly effective - only a couple of us got a little damp when 'Storm Tubby' poured water on our shelters. The shelters were all different shapes and sizes. We chose positions that we thought would enable us to secure our shelter resources.









Our choir had a brilliant experience Wednesday evening as they took part in this year's Songfest 22. They joined together with over 15 other primary schools in East and West Cornwall to sing 8 songs that that they have been practising over the last few months. They all had an amazing time, despite the nerves, and were a credit to Pensilva with their singing, enthusiasm and behaviour. I'm sure it is an experience they won't forget having had the opportunity to perform on stage at Plymouth Pavilions in front of a huge audience and with a live band accompanying them.











Tuesday 22nd March—class photographs

Wednesday 23rd March—Puffins and Buzzards trip to Wheal Martyn

Friday 8th April—last day of term

Monday 11th—Friday 22nd April—Easter holiday

Monday 25th April—children return to school

Monday 2nd May—bank holiday. School closed

Monday 9th May—Thursday 12th May—Year 6 SATs

Wednesday 11th May—Wrens and Doves trip to the Eden Project

Monday 16th—Wednesday 18th May—Year 6 Residential to Barton Hall

Friday 27th May—last day of term

Monday 6th June—children return to school

Friday 10th and Monday 13th June—INSET days. School closed

Friday 22nd July—last day of term

Monday 25th July-INSET day. School closed

Tuesday 26th July—Platinum Jubilee (taken in lieu of 3rd June)

Attendance

Wrens 92.59% Doves 92.59% Puffins 88.89% Buzzards 85.82%

Well done to all the children who ran in the Liskeard cross-country race last Friday. Everybody did very well and the results are as follows;

Year 3-4 Girls Year 3-4 Boys Year 5-6 Girls Year 5-6 Boys

38th—Ailla81st—Kai56th—Isla38th—Cody39th—Alice83rd—Scarlett39th—Thomas54th—Ruby89th—Nicole45th—William90th—Tristan













