

Cotsford Primary School

Spring 2 Home Learning and School- Year 3



Urban Pioneer

Why do we have cities?



Subject	Subject Summary
<i>English</i>	This half term, the children began the term with a whole school approach to the story, The Owl Babies. They completed a character description and explored the owl's feelings throughout the story. The children also read a chapter book called, 'Harriet's Hare' by Dick King Smith. The children began reading this book at home during lockdown and completed several VIPERS tasks. After returning to school, the children continued to explore the book and began to break it down into main events. From this the children created their own time slip story.
<i>PSHE/SMSC/RRSA</i>	The children have explored the topic Healthy Me. During lockdown they completed a fitness challenge to improve their skills and understand the importance of healthy eating and exercise. This continued in their PE lessons at home where they were encouraged to complete daily physical exercises. The children had time to reflect on challenges and goals, exploring the importance of keeping a healthy mindset. They identified the different food groups and understood the need for a balanced diet. The children enjoyed completing the, 'how much sugar' activity and were genuinely shocked at how much sugar was in a variety of food and drink.
<i>Maths</i>	In Maths the children enjoyed completing length and perimeter activities at home during home. They continued to work with three-digit numbers by adding lengths to find perimeters. They compared lengths using standard unites and found the difference between 2 and 3 lengths. When they returned to school, the children recapped on addition and subtraction using three-digit numbers. This included exchanging hundreds, tens and units.
<i>RE</i>	The children have explored the importance of Palm Sunday to Christians. The children explored the main events and the meaning behind Jesus riding into Jerusalem on a donkey. The children at home during lockdown created palm leaves using their hands and folded card to create a palm cross. The children identified the importance of Jesus being the messiah.
<i>Art</i>	N/A
<i>D&T</i>	This half term, year 3 have explored pavilions. Whilst at home, they were encouraged to create and design their own pavilions using resources they had in their house. After returning to school the children evaluated their designs and then created their own pavilions using card, wooden sticks, paper, pipe cleaners and other resources.
<i>Geography</i>	This half term, the children have been exploring cities in the UK. They began by identifying the main cities on a map using north, south, east and west instructions. The children identified the cities near to where they live. They identified features of the city of Durham and the captial city London. They then looked at the similarities and differences of the two cities and compared them.
<i>Music</i>	The children enjoyed live Teams lessons with their music teacher from Durham Music Service whilst at home. They completed listening activities, identified a range of instruments and what instrument families they belonged to. The children looked at a range of notation and created their own music at home with a range of resources. To support transition back into school the children learnt the song, 'Don't Worry' by Bob Marley. They cleverly completed the song using sign language. The children continued their recorder lessons in school, recapping on reading music and paying b, a, and g. Then they progressed to playing c, d and an f.
<i>Computing</i>	This half term, the children have explored logical reasoning. The children enjoyed making their robot hats and understanding the importance of using precise instructions. The children completed making a jam sandwich following instructions. They began to understand the computers only do what they have been asked / programmed to do. The children completed several activities using Purple Mash, Time Table Rockstars and Nessy during lockdown.
<i>MFL</i>	The children have enjoyed recapping their Spanish greetings during lockdown and watching a range of Spanish videos. They explored larger numbers and used these when identifying days of the week and months of the year.
<i>Science</i>	Year 3 have been exploring awe and wonder activities. The children enjoyed carrying out a water refraction activity and began to understand why some peoples weren't working. They were encouraged to take the ideas home and explore some more. They discovered that different sized glasses and how round the container was affected the outcome of the experiment. The children were also keen on making salt crystals after watching a video clip showing a range of

	spectacular salt crystals. They were disappointed when this didn't work very well in class.
<i>PE</i>	This half term in PE, the children have been encouraged during lockdown to complete daily physical activities as well as extra fun family challenges several times a week. This including cycling, sledging, stepping stones, shuffling on towels and blind folding orienteering. After returning to school the children enjoyed the topic, 'Skittles'. They enjoyed working as a team and began to understand the importance of attackers as well as defenders.