



WEEKLY NEWS 27.04.18

We have come to the end of another very busy week in school. I have been sung to in my office by Emma and Huw as they put their spellings to the music of 'We're the kids in America! (takes me back!!) and Henry has lived out our Christian value of 'Service' raising money for the Red Cross. Mabel has truly excelled as a Mathematician and every child across school impressed an Education Adviser who visited the school this week to look at our provision.

LEARNING NEWS ACROSS THE SCHOOL



EYFS are learning all about minibeasts. They had a very exciting delivery last week of some caterpillars. They are seeing them grow bigger every day and are looking forward to watching some more exciting changes. They have been down to the pond in the Jubilee Garden and collected some frog spawn



so they now have their own tadpoles in the classroom which they are learning about. Earlier this week they made wormeries by layering sand and soil in a jar before adding water and finally some worms. They are really enjoying their topic this term!

Year 1/2 have had another fun week in their Topic. They have been learning about different types of houses and homes. They looked at lots of different homes that people live in around the world, they thought about what it must be like to live in homes as diverse as igloos, houseboats, windmills, horse drawn caravans and even lighthouses, and chose the one they would love to live in!



Year 3/4 used their geographical skills this week when looking at maps of Stamford. The children found it fascinating to compare an old map of Stamford from the 1800s with a present day map. We noticed many changes in Stamford and we were able to see the castle wall, which enclosed all of Stamford until the Enclosure Act of 1872. Before this date, no houses were allowed to be built outside of the castle walls. We also found many of the churches



which still stand in Stamford today. The children were also surprised to find that there was a leper hospital just outside of Stamford.

We then went on to look at our present day map of Stamford and we were able to find many landmarks that the children recognise, such as their homes, the library and Broad Street.

We are very much looking forward to meeting Doris next Tuesday who has lived in Stamford for many years and has seen a vast amount of change. We will let you know what the children found out next week!

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Year 5 this week have been working on their understanding of 3D shapes by designing and making their own village, using nets to make the buildings to link in with our Cities topic this term. In English they have presented their personal PowerPoints with great enthusiasm and knowledge - we were all so impressed by their efforts! In **Year 6** we have started our journey with the short animation Alma; in the upcoming weeks we look forward to writing short narratives based on this. Also, SATs City has begun and has been a great success so far. Well done to all of the children for being so positive and eager at such an early time of the morning!



SPORTING NEWS



Yesterday, our **Year 5/6** Football Team played in a tournament with 6 other teams from local primary schools. Our boys played exceptionally well, worked fantastically as a team and demonstrated great sportsmanship throughout. After a nerve-racking wait for the results, St Gilbert's won on the amount of goals scored. A fantastic end to the football season - well done boys! Thank you to the staff and parents who have supported the team this year.

QUIZ NEWS

Points	Team Name
41	SJS SPEEDY 'SPEDE BIRDS'
39	BRAIN BOSSES
39	SPRATTON STAGS
38	SUPER ST HUGH'S
37	GWHIZZ
37	SJS POTENS ET FORTIS
37	SUPER SUBJECTS
37	WITHAM HALL
36	GRANTHAM GLADIATORS
35	THE COPTHILL ELEMENTS

Congratulations to our Year Five Quiz Team, G Whizz, who were in the Little Genius Quiz Evening at Stamford School this week. There was strong competition, with over twenty teams from schools around the area taking part. Our team, Joseph, Oliver, Orla and Rory, put on a fantastic performance, in six exciting rounds of General Knowledge, Literature, Maths and Observation. They were on the leader board from the start and were only one point away from being in the final! Well done!

DATES TO REMEMBER!

01/05/2018 KS1 SATs Begin

03/05/2018 Maths Open Afternoon 2.30pm -3.00pm

14th May - 18th May - KS2 SAT's Week



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Attention all parents and carers!

Like to find out more about how your child is being supported in Maths in class?

Or how they are being challenged to apply their skills and deepen their understanding?

Keen to find some ways to support their Maths learning at home?

Or maybe you would like some good websites and apps to help further their mathematical skills?



Then our
**Maths Open
Afternoon**
is for you.



From 2.15 pm on Thursday 3rd May, you are invited into school to

- ❖ take part in some hands-on mathematical activities with your children
- ❖ ask staff any questions you may have about the teaching of Maths at St Gilbert's
- ❖ ask about vocabulary and terminology used in the teaching and learning of Maths
- ❖ look at resources and equipment which your child is using in school for practical learning
- ❖ receive information about recommended websites and apps to support Maths practice at home

We look forward to seeing you on 3rd May.

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