



### Achievements

During this week's reflection, pupils shared what they have learnt this week. Here is a summary of their comments:

- We have learnt that centipedes are carnivorous and millipedes are detritivores.
- We learnt about endangered species this week. 97% of the water vole population has gone down since 1970. We also enjoyed researching endangered species.
- We've learnt that there are several colours for Candy-striped spiders.
- We learnt that scientists use quadrats to study a specific area.
- We learnt how to set out a frequency table and use our results to put in an accurate bar chart. We also did this in the woods.
- We learnt how to manage a woodland, catering for tourism and a local café.

#### This week ...

- On Tuesday we revisited food in French. We practised asking each other if we liked certain foods and then introduced drinks in French. Pupils then played a dice game. Pupils had to roll the die and collect a dish from each number. The first person to have all dishes won.
- Pupils adopted the role of a Woodland Officer on Tuesday. As Woodland Officers, pupils had to work collaboratively to develop and manage an area to ensure that biodiversity needs were met whilst raising awareness and bringing in an income for the local area. Pupils created map drawings with a key and confidently presented their management plans. I was really impressed observing them using their co-operative skills with their peers to create a successfully maintained and sustainable woodland.
- We analysed newspaper reports on Wednesday in preparation for our writing this week. Pupils had to determine the key points of the text and analyse how successful the introduction was. We spent some time highlighting the proper nouns in the text and assessed key vocabulary used within the text.
- The school nurses visited our class on Wednesday to talk about our body and hygiene. My class listened superbly and answered questions confidently.
- On Thursday we revisited our discussion about endangered species in Scotland. Each pupil picked a species of their choice to research. They were asked to take notes about their chosen species, including information about where it is found, reasons for its decline and ways to support and protect the species.
- Later on Thursday afternoon we started our newspaper report. All pupils have written a powerful headline and a detailed introduction, ensuring they had all 5ws. All reports also have a beautifully designed picture of their chosen species accompanied by a caption.
- The weather was amazing for outdoor learning this week. We focused on science and maths this week. We took magnifying glasses, magnifying pots and pooters into the woods so we could get close to the illusive bugs. Each group placed a large hoop in an area of their choice to act as a quadrat. Plant and animal species were investigated and identified within their area. They absolutely loved using the pooters and looking at the bugs in our 2-way magnifying pots. Afterwards, we continued with information handling. We expanded our area and surveyed the number of different species of trees. In their small groups they had to create their findings in a bar chart using natural materials. We had one group use a pine cone to represent the value of two going up the y-axis and a leaf from each tree along the x-axis. Pupils were able to represent the number of trees using sticks and pine cones. All photos are on the Google classroom.
- On Friday we had another group lead P.E in the Yellow Room.

#### AOCB

- P.E will be on **Mondays and Wednesdays**

Please can pupils come to school dressed in their P.E gear on a Monday.

- Sports Day. Could pupils wear the following colours:  
Fox – red or orange  
Deer – brown or yellow  
Capercaillie – blue or black

- Tuesday – bring in your instruments for music.

- Outdoor learning will be **every Thursday** until the end of term.

**Please ensure your child comes to school dressed appropriately for outdoor activities.**

- Community event 10:45-11:45. Meet at school main entrance. We will be heading into the woods for a 'Walk and Talk' where you will have the opportunity to see our information boards.

Please can I remind pupils to bring their water bottles to school daily. Bottles can be refilled throughout the day.

#### Question stems for discussion at home:

What was the most enjoyable part of your week?	Tell me one thing that you learnt this week...	What did you find tricky this week?	What did you do in class this week that you want to try again? Why?
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Date: Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June

Class: P6

