

Primary 1,2 & 3

Term 4 2015/16

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The purpose of this overview is to give parents and carers an indication ('Snapshots') of some of the activities pupils have participated in to develop a knowledge and understanding of the world around them and to develop necessary skills and qualities.

You will appreciate that pupils participate in many more activities than those listed, for example, very few, if any, of the literacy and numeracy activities undertaken are mentioned.

However, development of literacy and numeracy skills remain at the heart of our school curriculum.

Mrs Cattanach and P1/2/3

As you have been informed Mrs Cattanach has been covering the class for the past 5 weeks and in this time has worked exceptionally hard with P1/2/3. I thought it only fair that I share with you some of the work she has been doing.

Kind Regards,

Mrs Glennie

Language

The children have been fully engaged in writing play scripts for a puppet show. This has linked into their art and drama, with children designing puppets and using pattern and design skills. The final production of the Puppet shows was to a very high standard and enjoyed by all. The children have also been looking at poetry and



developing their understanding of rhyme and pattern.



Maths

The class have been working on Symmetry, using their knowledge to create symmetrical designs for their puppets and creating symmetrical pictures.

They have also been using the Beebot Robots to

investigate how to make

journeys by moving left and right and using North, South,

East and West. They have had

great fun both indoors and outdoors, investigating the compass points and how these are used in the real world.



IDL

The children have been using the European Football as a stimulus for map work including finding and naming European countries and capitals. They have been using the ipads to investigate a variety of information about the countries and present to the class. Linked to this they have been mapping their local area and looking at the location of Scotland in Europe. On June 8th it was World Ocean day and the class looked at the importance of keeping the sea pollution free. They made posters to show what they had learnt and how they can help. They also looked at the life cycle of a salmon and watched a video clip of it's journey, with many children remembering the links made by Sula's mum during Science Week.



Art

The class have been studying the work of 2 famous artists. Joan Miro, a Catalan artist, which they used to create Father's Day Cards by using primary colours and black pen. They also studied Vincent Van Gough and did some spectacular interpretations of the Sunflower painting, using

chalks and pastels. Here is some of the fantastic work.



RSPB Visit

On the 13th June the RSPB visited the class to help the children connect with nature. Much of the morning was spent outside in the Harvey garden and Forest. The children were engaged in a Mini-beast Hunt.



Spanish Day

Mrs Cattanach has lived and worked in Spain, so as part of their European tour she treated the children to a Spanish day. They discussed the similarities and differences of a typical day. In the afternoon they held a Spanish picnic in the park and enjoyed a taste of bread, tomatoes, chorizo, crisps Parma ham and olives. They learnt the first steps of Flamenco dancing and learnt about the way a bull fighter moves.



WAYS TO HELP YOUR CHILD AT HOME

- Practise mental addition and subtraction regularly
- Continue to learn the set times tables
- Make links to the real world wherever possible