

Happy Christmas!

This half-term Reception have been very busy practising for our Christmas Performance. However, alongside this important task, the children have had a very keen interest in making our "whatever you want it to be place" into a McDonalds restaurant. We have made menus, signs and even our own McDonalds money! This was a brilliant idea and the children have really enjoyed this learning opportunity, but it certainly made us feel very hungry!



We have really enjoyed all of our extra learning this term. We have had some fantastic visitors in school who have taught us about different things.

Captain Chemistry taught us about shadows and we had to guess the object behind a sheet based on the shadow we saw.

Danielle came in to teach us how to sing. We learnt different songs such as Jingle Bells, We Wish You a Merry Christmas, Band Aid and Count On Me.

We made an assembly about the Right to be Safe. We learned First Aid and that we needed defibrillators in our village because they will save our lives.

By Alfie and Lacey, aged 7 - Year 3

This term in Year 5, we have investigated the use of different bags and the suitability of materials to make a drawstring bag. We then designed our own bags before beginning to create our designs. We used felt pieces to decorate our bags then used a back stitch to sew hems before sewing our bags together. Once our designs were complete, we evaluated what went well and what we would like to improve next time.

We found our DT lessons really exciting as we were learning a new skill. However, we also found it challenging at times and we had to show resilience because even though we found some things difficult, we didn't give up. In the end, everyone had a fabulous bag to show for their hard work. In the run up to Christmas, we used the skills we learnt in our DT lessons to create our own Christmas stocking decorations to hang on our Christmas trees.

By Evie and Aiden



Year 1 thoroughly enjoyed taking part in a Science workshop all about animals. We explored a range of resources (even a skull!) that helped us to find out about the structure of animals.



Here at Wingate Primary School we would like to thank everyone for your support this term. **Community really does matter!** School re-opens Monday January 4th 2021.

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In Samba Beats this term we have been writing our own music to play on the samba drums. It was fun! We got to play the drums every Tuesday. We learnt a piece of music then we were recorded performing it. Some of our own music that we wrote was used in the piece.

In Year 6, we have been developing our rugby skills. On Friday 11th, we held a year group rugby competition. The competition involved kicking the rugby ball over posts and shuttle runs involving running with the rugby ball. In a close contest, Class 13 emerged victorious to claim the Year 6 Tag Rugby Cup!

By Efa and Lilly



This half term, Year 4 had the opportunity to participate in a food tasting workshop based on our Geography and Languages topics. We got to taste food from Italy. We really enjoyed the smoothie, the risotto and the salmon dip. However, our class favourite was the profiteroles as we had these with cream and chocolate sauce. We were delighted to have Sarah with us to make food with our year group but we also loved the fact that we could help her make these meals.

By Oscar W
(Year 4)

Year 2 enjoyed a fabulous virtual tour around Durham Cathedral. They sent us a box of resources that meant we could dress up as the people involved in the story of it being built. We visited the shrine of St. Cuthbert and lit a candle to remember him and were amazed at the beautiful patterns on the columns and ceiling.

