

Maths Week Celebration

There are some wonderful photos in the Latest News section of our website. Children proudly showed their work in our celebration assembly and explained their class maths challenge to everyone.

Little Dormice explored pattern and symmetry, using beads, ICT, flower crowns, cars and lots more. They learned about big, small, big, small patterns as well as patterns using colour. They made patterns from sticks and leaves and created beautiful, painted, symmetrical butterflies.

Dormice children sang all the number rhymes they know and learned some extras. They sang one in assembly for us, which was lovely. Their class challenge was to create a human number line. This involved lots of thinking, fun and co-operation! Dormice children had lots of fun all week.

Fallow Deer children created wonderful treasure maps and used compass directions to write clues for others to find their treasure. They also learned about the Great Wall of China and created their own Great Walls of Woodside using a range of materials. They worked brilliantly together in their groups and made accurate measurements of their constructions. Great team work, Fallow Deer!

Wild Boar children's class challenge was to design and make fruit smoothies. They had great ideas and chose their ingredients and quantities well. After lots of measuring and consideration, they made their smoothies and have collected all their recipes into a book. Mmm!

Woodpecker children created games for Fallow Deer children. Their games included multiplication and division, odds and evens, and times table facts. They wrote clear instructions and had great fun sharing them with Fallow Deer children. Their games were thought out and resources. Wow, we are impressed!

Red Squirrels class had a challenging enterprise task. They had a £50 budget to design, make and sell edible products. They decided on their sandwich fillings and biscuit/cookie/cake option then worked out the costs for the ingredients, doing on-line shopping with Miss Waugh comparing prices and value. They spent £49.96 and made 200 boxes in their groups. They proudly sold their products and made over £80 profit, which will be used for maths resources. Well done everyone!

The above gives a flavour of the main maths challenges. In between, the children completed a range of maths activities linked to other areas of the curriculum, such as Mondrian and Kandinsky art work; creating Chinese animals from tangrams; timed minute challenges and many more. Thank you to Mrs Oliver, our maths leader, for all her ideas and to all the staff for inspiring our children. There was a lovely buzz around the school and thanks to all for celebrating World Book Day with the children on the Thursday too.