

LIFE IN CLASS 5

SPRING TERM

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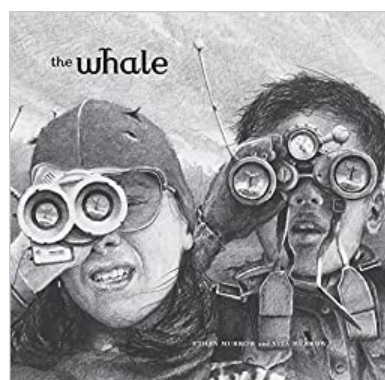
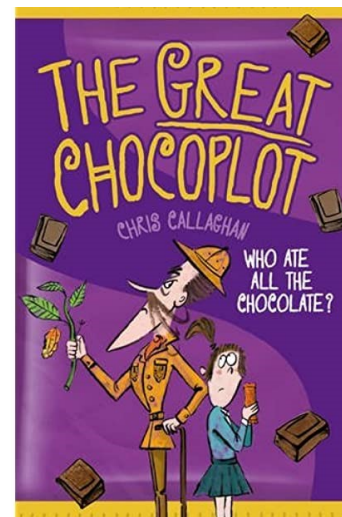
Although we have been apart for most of this term we have not let Covid 19 stop our learning!
Online learning has kept us together and moving through the curriculum as well as making sure that we all kept safe ready for the schools reopening.



LITERACY

This term we have continued with our 'Write Stuff' approach to writing and have used the books *The Whale* and *The Great Chocoplot* to stimulate our writing. We continue to build our writing using learning chunks and the writing rainbow to help with the most fantastic grammar and punctuation. Using these texts we have incorporated onomatopoeia, pathetic fallacy, fronted adverbials, similes, repetition, inverted commas, personification and much more!

We are really enjoying writing and were able to keep this up using Teams daily showing our parents how good we are at generating word banks and then using this in our writing!



NUMERACY

We have become budding mathematicians and have been using our new skills to solve problems. During the term we have been working on short multiplication and division and have found out that it is really important that we know our times tables!

We now know how to add and subtract fractions with the same denominator, find equivalent fractions, write the decimal equivalents for any tenth or hundredth, round decimals to the nearest whole number and we have found out what happens when we divide a one-digit number by 10 or 100!

Miss Jones was very impressed with us when she came into the class and we were using a formula to calculate perimeter and area of shapes.

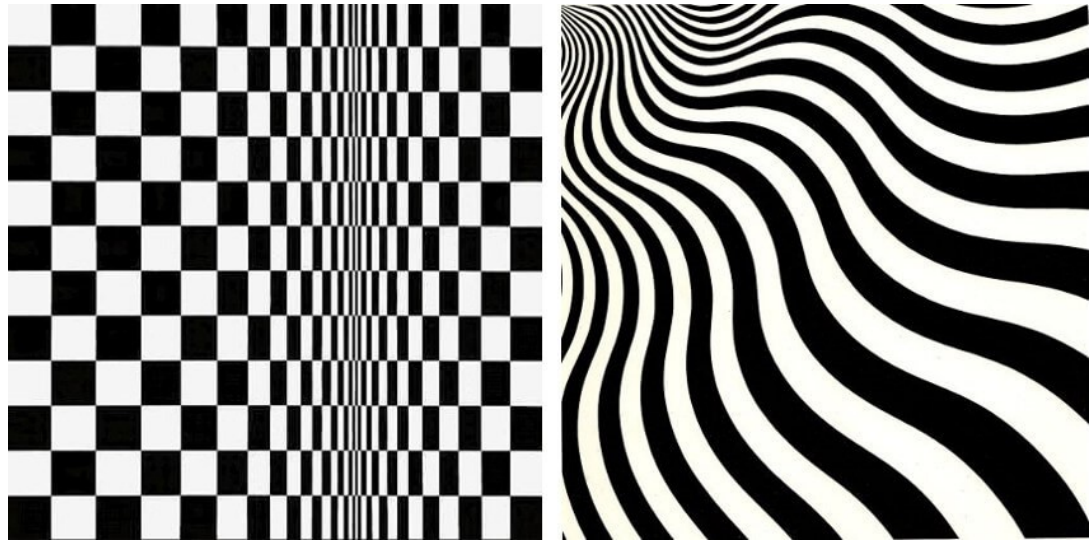
We have also looked at time and are becoming more confident when converting between different measures.

We love using the skills we have learned in class to solve problems.

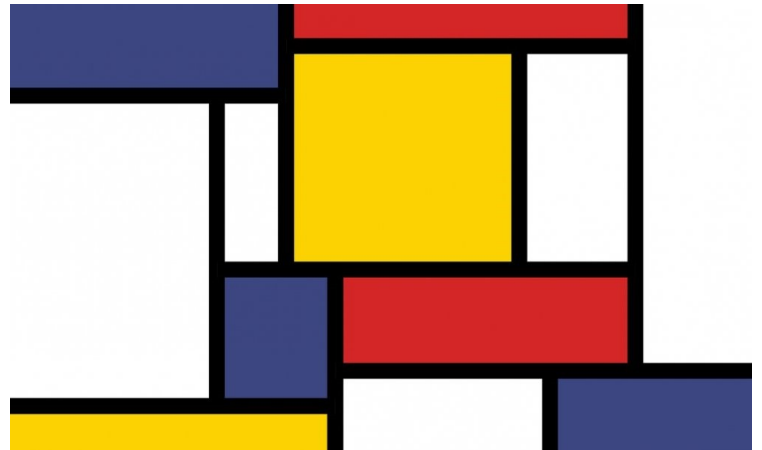


ART &

We didn't let the fact that we were learning online stop us from learning about two new artists and we produced some fantastic art work from home. It was a really special session in the week as it gave us the chance to relax and catch up with each other while drawing.



We were inspired by Bridget Riley and Mondrian's work.



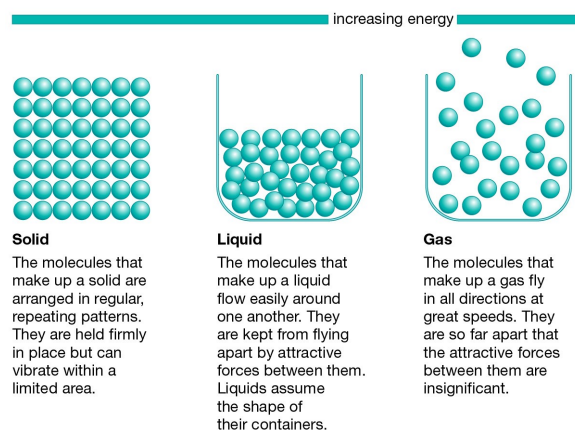
SCIENCE

At home we have looked at the topics 'Rocks' and 'States of Matter'. Within the 'Rocks' topic we have identified the different types of rocks, and their properties looked at the structure under the ground and the four different types of matter that soil is made up of. Grouped rocks together based on their simple physical properties.

Within our States of Matter topic we were able to group materials into solids, liquids and gases, identify freezing and melting point of water, describe the effect of temperature on evaporation, describe evaporation and condensation and identify the stages of the water cycle.



Physical states



HISTORY



In this topic we looked at the impact the Roman empire had on life in Britain. We looked at the spread of the Roman empire, the invasion of Britain and the eventual conquest along with the Romanisation of Britain, such as the building of Roman roads and bathhouses . We investigated Hadrian's Wall, examining how, where and why it was built. We also looked at the different features of the wall and use maps to determine its location . A favourite part of ours was investigating what the religious beliefs the Romans had and know about some of the gods and goddesses that they worshipped. It was really interesting linking them to some of the Greek gods and goddesses that we know.

Our next topic was 'The Vikings and Anglo-Saxons', which we were so looking forward to finishing together before the schools all closed. During our time we found out that the country was divided into 7 kingdoms- Northumbria, Mercia, Wessex, Essex, East Anglia, Essex, Kent and Sussex with each having their own King.

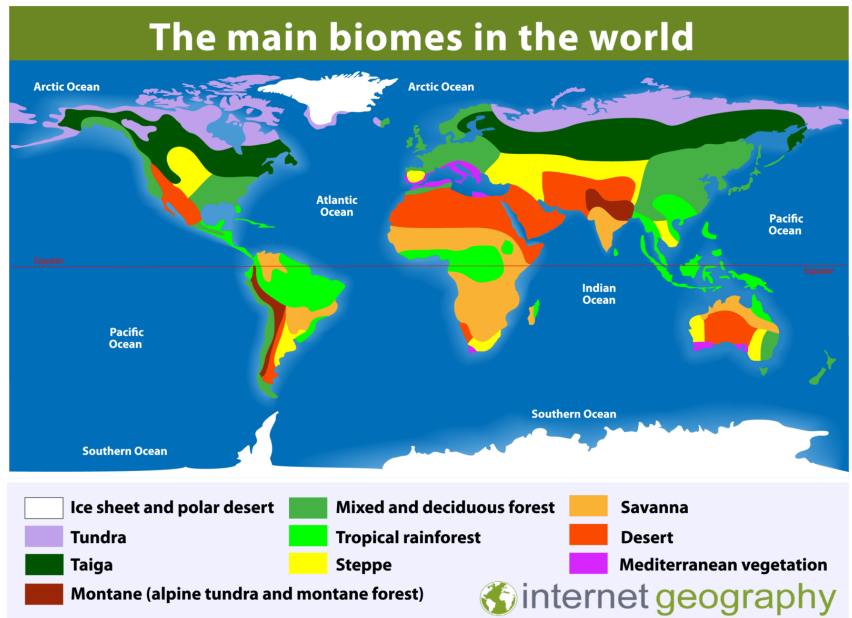
When the Vikings arrived in 787 AD the only King to keep them out of their kingdom was King Alfred of Wessex later known as King Alfred the Great!

We also looked at the 'Raiders and Invaders' and the 'Berserkers' were to be feared in battle as they went berserk !



GEOGRAPHY

We discovered some of the strangest plants on Earth and were able to use resources to find out where in the world they can be found. Using our knowledge of the seven continents of the world and learning more about the location of different countries, we were able to find out where you can find the world's largest flower, plants that smell like rotting flesh or trees with rainbow. We were able to consider whether all plants can grow in different places around the world. We went on to explore the main climate zones and biomes of the world, identifying plants that grow in a particular biome and where these biomes are around the world. We were able to will define the word 'biodiversity' and find out what a mega-diverse country is. Looked at identifying the 17 mega-diverse countries in the world and locate them on a map.



P.E



We have kept active over this term and are really enjoying the weekly yoga sessions that we do. In these sessions we are concentrating on strength and building the core muscles to help us with balance.

A Friday morning is one of our favourites sessions as that is the time that we get to take our learning outdoors. We love the orienteering that has been set up on the school grounds and how we can use the skills we are taught in the classroom to read a map, and navigate our team to victory!

MUSIC

Singing is very important to us and we love ending the day practising the songs the Miss Parker has taught us in our music lessons each week. We were very grateful to her for recording our lessons so that we could continue to learn new skills even when we were learning from home.



Gonna tell you how to...

Eat like a Roman,

Drink like a Roman,

Dress like a Roman,

Think like a Roman,

Pray like a Roman,

Build like a Roman,

Slay like a Roman,

Party like a Roman!!!!!!

Just like a Roman is one of our class favourites and we all get down with the dance moves!



R.E

We have focused on how Lent allows Christians to prepare for Christ's Resurrection on Easter Sunday and how we can strive to become more faithful to the Gospel by practising self-discipline in order to grow in God's way.