



Every week is a busy one at St Martin's Garden Primary School, so we thought we'd take the opportunity to share with you some of the exciting things which have been going on inside and outside of the classroom in each class.

## Orange Class (Reception)

This week in Orange Tree class we have been thinking about our theme of 'Under the Sea.' We have been singing the counting song '1-2-3-4-5, once I caught a fish alive'. Is this a song you remember? If so please join in with your child. We painted our own junk model fish tanks and created collage rainbow fish, where we really needed to concentrate on our cutting skills!



Having such lovely grounds here at St Martin's Garden we were able to explore the start of Autumn with a nature walk. We collected lots of different natural resources to count with, and use within our own art. In class we have started our phonics sessions and have already learnt 5 new sounds this week!

## Plum Class (Year 1)

Plum class have had a fantastic week of learning.

In science we have been learning about the changing seasons particularly the Autumn. We have also been talking about our journey to school and all the things we see, hear and even smell as we walk to school.



In English we have been writing captions, reading simple words and matching them to pictures. We have read many books this week and have also enjoyed some online stories. Our favourite has been 'Arnie the Doughnut'. In PE we have been exploring hoops and have found lots of different ways to move with and around hoops. It was lots of fun!

## Peach Class (Year 2)

What a busy week Peach Class had!

We have been exploring 'The Storm Whale' by Benji Davies through visualising, role play, painting, discussion and debates. This week we put ourselves in the shoes of the main character, Noi and took him thorough a conscience alley to help him make an important decision.

We love our topic 'All at Sea' and in science, we have been exploring plants and animals that live in seaside habitats. We used maps and atlases to find seaside locations in the UK and have used photographs to describe and identify the main features.



Having made our seaside paintings using pastels last week, this week we used a paint program on the computer to make our seaside creations. You are welcome to pop into the classroom to see our gallery.

## Bronze Class

Bronze class have had another busy week full of exciting new learning. As part of our topic 'All About Me' we have made pictures to go on the classroom wall. We also decorated the picture frame and background and then took a selfie on the iPad.

In maths we have explored numbers using Numicon and number conkers. We have continued with our Judo sessions and this week started our horse riding sessions.



## Silver Class

Silver Class have been learning all about the story 'The Little Red Hen.' We have been using our Ruby Power and Topaz Team work power all week. We have been busy making bread, just like the Little Red Hen. We decided that hens eat worms so we have found out where worms live in the Margaret Coates Centre. We have made a wormery to observe how they live and what they eat. As well we planted some cress seeds to learn how they grow.



### Oak Class (Year 3)

Oak Class had another amazing week.

We continued our Roman Learning Enquiry and had a visit from Boudicca who told us all about her life. We designed our own room from Mr Wonka's Chocolate factory and wrote a description of what we saw there. We also concluded our work on place value by placing numbers on a number line.



### Pine Class (Year 4)

Pine class have really enjoyed their learning this week. We have finished our learning about place value in maths, they love singing the Roman Numerals song!

We also had a visit from Boudicca who explained how she led the resistance against the Romans.

The children have great imaginations and are writing newspaper reports from outside the gates of Willy Wonka's Chocolate Factory. You must come and read them!



### Gold Class

Gold Class have had another exciting week of learning!

In Science we started talking about the amazing things our bodies can do and carried out an investigation to test how quick our reflexes are. We have been finishing off our work on Supertato by coming up with our own Supertato adventure stories. We found out about the life of a real life hero: Florence Nightingale. We have also been learning about the work of the famous pop artist Roy Lichtenstein and creating our own Pop Art based on our favourite onomatopoeia words. POW!



### Walnut and Willow Classes (Year 5 & 6)

We have had an exciting week in Willow and Walnut Classes finding out more about the adventures of Alex Rider in 'Stormbreaker'. We have been writing letters to his carer Jack after his mysterious disappearance and becoming involved in a top secret MI6 mission!



In Maths we have been working on subtracting four digit numbers and some of us have been trying short division.

Continuing with The Tudors, we have starting working on our own Tudor style self portrait-looking carefully at our features and experimenting with different tools and materials.

### Platinum Class

Platinum class have been busy this week learning about what life was like for women in Ancient Greece. They learnt that depending on where in the empire you lived it affected how you were treated. We all decided we would prefer to be a Greek woman in Ancient Sparta than Athens and enjoyed debating why we thought that. We also enjoyed dressing in traditional Ancient Greek clothes. On Friday we had a fantastic time at the Haynes motor museum in Yeovil.

