



Westleigh Methodist Primary School – Year 4 Autumn Highlights



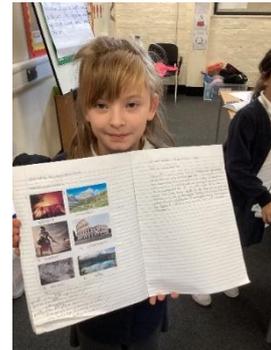
With God, all things are possible – Matthew 19:26

Love Teamwork Thankfulness Generosity Peace Forgiveness Equality Justice

What a fantastic Autumn term we have had together learning and growing realising ‘With God, all things are possible’.

English

In English, we have enjoyed reading our book as a hooks ‘Escape from Pompeii’ and ‘The Firework Maker’s Daughter’. We have written fantastic setting descriptions, character descriptions, non-chronological reports, poems and narratives around these texts.



Mathematics



In Maths, we have been working on place value, addition and subtraction and time. We have learnt how to use different written and mental methods to help us with calculations. We have also been working hard to learn our times tables.

RE

Our focus question in Autumn 1 was ‘Can religious teachings help us decide the best way to live?’ Within this we looked at and discussed the rules in different religions such as the 10 commandments in Christianity. We also looked at some rules in Judaism including understanding Kosher and Trefah food. In Autumn 2, we investigated how Christmas is celebrated in different cultures and traditions around the world.



Science

In Autumn 1, we learnt about our teeth and the digestive system. We conducted an experiment to investigate the effects of different liquids on a tooth like substance. We chose to use an egg as our tooth like substance as the egg shell and our teeth both contain calcium. We found liquids higher in sugar had more effect on the egg shell and water had the least effect on the egg shell. In Autumn 2, we have been learning about sound and have investigated how vibrations cause sound waves.



Art and Design



In Art, we learnt about the influential artist J.M.W. Turner. Turner was famous for painting landscapes. We developed our sketching skills and created sketches of volcanoes in the style of Turner. We used techniques such as cross-hatching, hatching and stippling to add tone and detail to our sketches. We then added watercolours to our sketches. We were very proud of our excellent results!

History

We have loved learning about the Romans in our History unit. We have learnt about the Roman Empire, why the Romans wanted to invade Britain and why the Roman army was so successful. We have learnt about many things that the Romans invented or introduced to Britain such as roads, plumbing systems and using coins as currency. We thoroughly enjoyed our visit from History Alive. They showed us lots of amazing Roman artefacts and we learnt so many interesting facts.



PE



In PE, we have been developing our skills by playing a range of invasion games. We developed our teamwork and communication skills. We also worked in teams to devise a dance routine based on our learning about the Romans. We also enjoyed a super visit from Trikids. We had great fun completing the team triathlon!