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#### Living Things and Habitats.

In Science, we have enjoyed looking at minibeasts and classifying them.

We especially loved going out to hunt for them in the school grounds.



place to look is in damp places



In History and Literacy, we have found researching the Roman emperors Caesar and Claudius. After researching their lives and reigns extensively, we then each wrote a biography of Emperor Claudius.





I loved researching Caesar and Claudius because I found out lots of interesting facts.



Imagine our excitement when we received a letter and card from King Charles and Queen Camilla! As well as a letter, they sent us an ornate, special card! The King and Queen sent their best wishes to us.



### What an honour!



The key to a successful

design is perseverance

and imagination.

In music, we have been studying salsa music, which originates from South America. We have learnt about call and response, syncopation and even learnt how to read music!

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Salsa music makes me feel excited and I love the sound that the glockenspiel makes.



We have been designing cards for different celebrations. Our cards contain a circuit to make it: light up, move or make a sound! We are going to send these cards to someone special!

#### Class 2

In science we learned about animals including humans. We learned about different categories of animals and their characteristics, human body and



We enjoyed making our scarecrow for the school competition. We are very proud of our products.





In art we learned about different types of lines. Then we identified lines, shapes and texture in an artist work and finally we created an observational drawing.





📕 In maths we learned about place value of each digit in a number. Then we used a place value chart to identify ones and tens in that number.

In Geography we learned about the geog raphy of where we live and how natural and physical geography in our local area has changed over time.



## Class 3



Class 3 have worked very hard during the first half term and have had lots of fun. We have been fortunate to have many visitors and opportunities to explore different areas of learning. In a Peace Museum workshop, we learnt about the refugees that came to Batley during the Kindertransport project before the Second World War. We observed lots of different amazing demonstrations with a scientist who visited our school and had fun participating in certain activities. We have also covered water safety when staff from Yorkshire Water came to tell us about how to stay safe around the bodies of water in our local area. The scooters and skateboard training was brilliant and everyone in our class showed bravery and skill when learning how to do tricks and we developed our teamwork skills. Finally, in our Art lessons we have been learning about prehistoric, Stone Age art and have attempted to recreate our own cave paintings, even foraging raw materials for our paint.



# Class 5

We have had a busy half term in class 5 and have done lots of exciting things! In science we have learnt all about the heart and circulatory system.









In DT we looked at different mechanisms used in pop-up books. We explored sliders, fixed loose pivot levers and pop-ups. We then designed and our and made our own amazing sliding pictures!



### **Our Book Talks**

We absolutely love reading in class 5 and we also love sharing and talking about books. We have just finished our class novel 'Kensuke's Kingdom' by Michael Morpurgo which we all agreed was fantastic! Everyone has done a presentation to the class about one of their favourite books which has encouraged us all to try a book by a new author or from a different genre.







## Class 1

We have had an exciting half term in Class 1. Reception have settled into class well, made lots of new friends and made a fantastic start to their learning. Year 1 children have been brilliant role models and have shown a mature, determined attitude towards

A scientist visited our school! We mixed liquids,

created bubbles and made

our own slime.





These children showed fantastic perseverance and teamwork whilst completing a 30 piece jigsaw puzzle.

We have been learning about different animal groups including birds, amphibians, fish, reptiles and mammals.





Year 1 planned, prepared and constructed their own windmills.

Their plan included a design criteria.