

## **Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

Our refresh of computers took place last week. We are all enjoying having new machines to work with.

P1a have started our new topic 'Time Travellers' and will be focusing on Castles. We started by looking at Kings and Queens from the present and the past, what they were like, what they would wear, where they lived and what their life was like. We will then continue by learning about Castles and Knights. P1b are entering the RSPB's Big School Bird Watch competition. Last Monday we went to St Mark's Park to see how many of the most common birds we could find, then back in class we made a pictograph showing our results. This week looks set to be even more exciting and we are looking forward to all our Book Week activities, including an illustrator visit. P1/2 have recently started a writing topic on fairy tales. Each week we are focusing on one fairy tale, retelling it through puppets, role play and in our writing. Last week we looked at 'Goldilocks and the 3 Bears', this week we will be looking at 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. Both P.2 classes are beginning to do a weekly get-together with the P.6 classes for paired reading sessions. We aim to read a wide variety of genres and also the children's own writing. P2b have started our new topic all about castles. So far we have discovered the features of a castle and have used this knowledge to create our own castle in the classroom. This week we are going to be looking at who lives in a castle and the jobs that they do.

The P6 EuroQuiz team were great ambassadors for the school this week, at the annual EuroQuiz, held at the City Chambers. There were around 25 teams taking part, and although we didn't make it to the top two head to head final, the team did very well and answered lots of tricky questions. Most importantly, they had fun ! We will find out our place in the competition at a later date, which will be announced via our school website.

Our Literacy Group have worked with staff to plan a whole range of activities for Book Week this week. Have a look at the information sent out last week.

The PSA disco events take place this Friday. Everyone will be working hard to make these enjoyable events for all. Due to a family commitment I had prior to accepting the temporary post at Broughton, I will not be able to attend. However I hope everyone who goes along has a great time.

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