

Autumn term Newsletter Year 5

This term we have been working very hard in year 5. We have been learning lots of new and interesting things. We have particularly been enjoying our History topic of the 'Anglo-Saxons.'

In this subject, we found out all about how the Anglo-Saxons came over to Britain. We discovered how they settled and explored the types of houses that they lived in. We found out that they usually settled near rivers and in forests so that they were near a fresh water supply and were able to hunt.



The Anglo Saxons were made up of three tribes which collectively became known as the Anglo Saxons. These were the:

- Jutes
- Angles
- Saxons

SAXON FACT!
It took about 18 trees to provide enough wood to build a Saxon house.

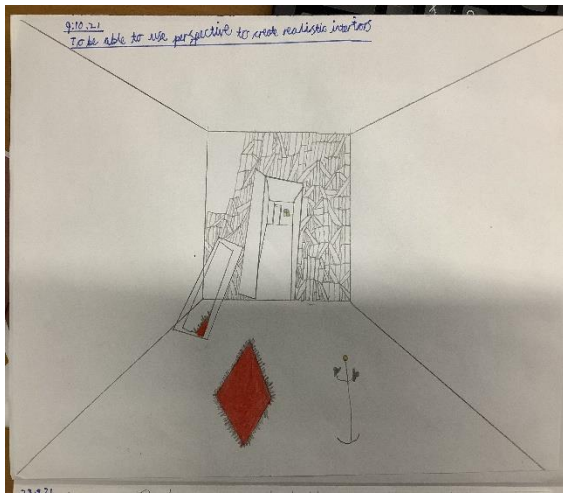


Below you can see some of the work that we have produced for this topic.



In addition to History, we have also been enjoying our Art lessons. We have been learning all about Art illusions. In this topic, we have explored how artists create perspective in their work and use foreshortening to give perspective.

Here are some pieces of our 'illusion' work:



As well as Art, we have also been enjoying our PE lessons. As you can see from the pictures, we have been taking part in some very challenging but fun Gymnastics lessons.



In RE we have been learning about 'Ourselves' and we completed a topic on 'Judaism.' In Judaism topic, we read 'The story of Exodus.' We found out how Jewish people celebrate the Passover today.

You can read the story below:

The story of the Exodus

The Israelites had been living in Egypt. For a long time they were working as slaves for the pharaoh and had a hard life. The pharaoh made them work very hard.

The Israelites prayed to God to rescue them from slavery. God chose Moses, to help rescue the people and lead them to freedom. Moses was a bit shy and timid he was not sure he could do it. God promised to help him. So Moses went to pharaoh asked him to let the Israelites go free. But pharaoh was very stubborn and only agreed to let the people go after a series of disasters had happen to the Egyptians.

Moses told the people to get ready for a long journey, to kill a lamb and eat it and put some blood on the doorposts of their houses and take with them some unleavened bread for the journey, (they would not have time to make leavened bread).

Pharaoh sent his soldiers after Moses and the people as they were leaving Egypt but God led them unharmed over the Red Sea towards the desert, so they got away safely. God had freed them from slavery. So today Jewish people celebrate Passover or Pesach (the Jewish word for Passover), to remember that God passed over his people, so no disasters had happened to them, and lead them to freedom.



We are looking forward to the Christmas celebrations coming up! We are busy learning some Christmas songs!