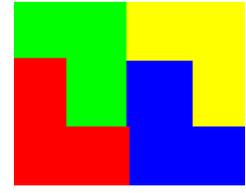


THE LATIMER PRIMARY SCHOOL

CELEBRATING LEARNING

ARTS WEEK 18th -22nd JUNE 2018



Developing Responsibility; Caring about Achievement

Dear Parents and Carers,

What an amazing Arts Week we have had. Every class from Foundation up to Year 6 participated in different arts activities. Children drew, painted, sketched and used a variety of techniques during art sessions; some children developed their musical skills playing instruments, singing and even creating their own pieces. Other classes practiced their performing arts including drama and dance and the whole school came together for an assembly at the end of the week to share and celebrate some of their learning. The amount of work produced, and the children's learning was truly enriched by the experience. Thank you to the FOALS at Latimer for their kindness and generosity to enable Arts Week to commence.

Here's what we got up to!

Willow Weaving

Every child at Latimer had a go at willow weaving, with Chaz Friend, the Willow artist, even though it was tricky, all the children persevered brilliantly! The little ones weaved a wand or a crown, while the older children created their very own fish or a leaf. KS1 children helped to create a creepy caterpillar and the KS2 children were busy creating a tree, with 4 branches to represent the 4Ls, that hold 12 leaves to represent our 12 Learning Behaviours.



Indian Dancing



Foundation stage and the Year 1 children learnt an Indian dance from the actress of the new Premier Inn advert, Kavita Vyas. Imitating the dance from the advert, the children enthusiastically picked up the steps beautifully and were able to perform their dance to their teachers.

Painting

The Year 6 children loved being given the chance to try different mediums and enjoyed being shown alternatives ways of creating "art" than the traditional paintbrush and paper by Penny Garner. Melted wax was used as a resist then finished by brushing dye on the top to create a beautiful batik. The children used acrylic paint to creatively use their imagination to create individual or friendship tiles.



Samba Instruments



Year 1 and 2 loved playing the percussion instruments lead by Manesh Patel, from the Soar Valley Music Centre. The children persevered to correct the rhythm, repeating the phrase 'I like cream cakes' and 'I like melons and I like bananas' to enable them to produce a brilliant melody when played together.

Music

Latimer has been very fortunate to have the singer, song writer, Paul McClure, play his guitar and ukulele and sing some of his own songs to the KS1 children. The children thought of some very good questions to ask Paul about his music, such as, 'How many songs have you written?' The children also enjoyed singing along to a very catchy tune! The whole school even got to listen and sing with Paul in an assembly at the end of the day.



Arts and Crafts

Keeping within the community, the ladies from the Women's Institute of Anstey came to show-off their hidden talents! Class ER and CJ enjoyed creating their CD fish, even Mr Jameson couldn't help himself and had to get involved! The children showed great imagination and their creative side shone through beautifully!

Preeti Sagoo, a parent and a governor at the school, taught the Year 3 children how to reduce carbon footprint by reusing different materials to create art. The children asked some interesting questions to gain further knowledge on how we, as a community, can reduce the carbon footprint to help the environment. Who would have known that you can create some fabulous art just by using bottle tops!



Drama



Class AF have had an excellent time learning drama as part of Arts week, with a little help from Mrs Jordon, a parent and a governor at Latimer, who kindly gave up her time, to share her amazing talent with the class. Mr Foote and Mrs Jordan was very impressed with the children's perseverance and dedication.

Dance Fitness

Year 2 and Year 6 have loved raving during 'dance fitness'. What a brilliant way to wake up their bodies! Thank you to Racheal Hopewell, a parent at Latimer, teaching the children to be active and have fun by dancing to keep fit! The children said they loved having the glow sticks, as it really got them in the mood for dancing!



Thimbellina



Class CJ have had their hand in sewing this week! Angie Webb, owner of Thimbellina in Glenfield, shared her skills with the class to create and make their very own puppet. Again, Mr Jameson couldn't help but get involved! Children showed their perseverance with the sewing and, I'm sure you'll agree, they have created some fantastic monster puppets.

Bollywood Dancing

Year 4s had an energetic time learning a Bollywood dance, with the Moving _Together team. They learnt some amazing moves and routines throughout the day, and then performed their dance to the whole school at the end of the day. Just amazing! They also got creative by making a saree! The team from Moving_Together said they have been really impressed with the enthusiasm and collaboration they received from the Year 4's.



Drawing

We are so lucky to have such a talented bunch of artists at Latimer. Here are a couple of their amazing portrait drawings as part of the Arts week challenge! Can you guess which teacher's portrait the children have drawn?

Art gallery at Latimer

What a way to end arts week than to have an arts gallery for all to see. Parents and carers all came to see the amazing art work their children have created. Many children have been inspired by artists such as, Keith Haring and Kandinsky. Other children have created some beautiful art work linked to a topic such as plants, in Year 1.

A huge thank you from all at Latimer for the kind donations received at the art gallery, these contributions will go towards buying new art resources for the children to continue their creativity through art.



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