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Year 3—Tremors

Year 3 designed and created their own volcanoes using paper mache, plastic bottles and cardboard. To bring the volcanoes to life, we used bicarbonate of soda, vinegar and red food colouring to create an eruption effect. Mind - blowing!



Year 4 - Road Trip

This term Year 4 has been looking at the theme of Road Trip USA! Investigating many things to do with American History, laws, natural wonders and scientific influence. To engage in this topic Year 4 took a trip to Shireland Collegiate Academy to visit their immersive room and complete their own road trip throughout the USA. Firstly we boarded our plane and saw the USA from a birds eye view, getting closer in to land in New York City, investigating the iconic landmarks of this city. We then drove to Washington DC to have a private tour of the White House, before completing a Presidents' Quiz, by having to match up the time in office and names with the images. Following this, we flew over the Grand

Canyon and took some time to sketch the patterns and amazing landforms we could see. Finally, we went to the Hollywood sign in Los Angeles and discussed where we would still like to visit, and why. We then used this experience throughout the term as we expanded on ideas and investigated more about the USA.







Cross Generation Project with Dovedale Nursing Home

A group of children have taken part in a cross generation project with the residents at Dovedale Court. During the sessions the children and residents have been taking part in a variety of activities; art work, playing games, gardening and story telling. It has been lovely to see the smiles on both

the children's and residents faces. Both the residents and children have really enjoyed the project and we are planning to carry this out again next year.

Mr Steventon's Final Thoughts

"Year 6 have worked extremely hard this year and they have come to the end of their journey with us here at Holyhead Primary Academy. They have made all of us here at Holyhead so proud of them with what they have achieved this year. We wish them all the very best for secondary school and we know they will continue to be mature, responsible, hard working young adults that will go on to fulfill their potential."

Year 5—Alchemy Island

Year 5 have been doing lots science experiments such as filtering, sieving and evaporating mixtures, to test samples of materials found on Alchemy Island. We have made a fountain of gold and have looked at human and physical features of maps. At the end of the topic the

children have made their own Newsround style videos about Alchemy Island.



Year 2 Land Ahoy!

Year 2 had a brilliantly musical morning with folk musicians Kim Lowings and Chris Cleverley. Year 2 have been writing their own sea shanty

songs about wild waves and the sapphire skies. Kim and Chris helped compose melodies and music to go along with their song lyrics. The results were amazing! Year 2 thoroughly enjoyed learning about instruments, practising melodies and finally performing their sea shanty songs. Year 2 were a credit to Holyhead - Kim and Chris really enjoyed working with



the children.



Year 1- Enchanted Woodland

Year 1's theme this half term has been 'Enchanted Woodland'. For their excite the children went on a nature hunt around school, they found lots of interesting items such as leaves, flowers and feathers; The children used the items they collected to make a tree boggart out of air drying clay. Part way through the theme the children had a special visit from Birmingham Hippodrome where they led an interactive workshop of the Gruffalo with the children. They then had the amazing opportunity to go to the theatre to watch a performance of the Gruffalo

watch a performance of the Gruffalo. The children worked collaboratively with each other to make a diorama of their very own 'Enchanted Woodland'.

Teacher Interview: Mrs Skinner

Who inspired you to become a teacher?

When I was in primary school, I had a teacher who helped me with my maths throughout the year, because maths is a subject I found a little difficult when I was a young girl. My teacher taught me how to persevere and achieve my goals. This inspired

me to become a teacher because I wanted to help other children achieve their goals.

What is your favorite hobby?

I love to read different stories in my spare time. I also like to go to the gym and I thoroughly enjoy swimming.

What do you like the most about school?

The children's ability to manage their distractions fantastically, and their compassion and care towards each other. Working as a team and a family is what makes this school so special to work in.

What is your favorite subject?

My favourite subject is English. I have always loves reading, planning, and writing my own stories.

If you wanted to travel around the world, which country would you go to first?

I would love to go to Rome first, in Italy. It is one of my favourite places. Of course, I would absolutely love to travel to every country and see the whole world!

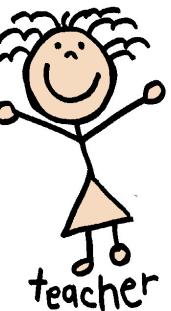
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