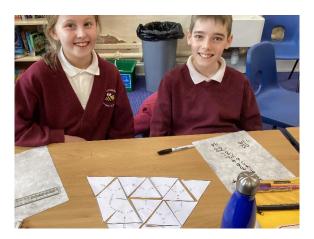
Oak Class Spring Term 1

This term Oak class have been exploring the topic 'Masters of the Stars', which has involved learning all about our Solar System, and the society which is responsible for the names of most of the planets – the Romans.

Our English has been out of this world! We have created our own imaginary planets, written non-chronological reports about them, and imagined what it would be like if something from another planet landed in Somerby, using our best journalistic skills to write a newspaper report.

In maths we have been tackling fractions – finding equivalent fractions, adding and subtracting them, multiplying them and converting between mixed numbers and improper fractions. Our confidence with fractions has grown hugely so we are now ready to move onto those tricky decimals and percentages next term.



In history, we have learnt how the Roman Empire began, why and how the Romans came to Britain, and what the Britons thought of it. Boudicca was not very pleased! Some fantastic learning logs have been completed, with children exploring and and extending their learning about the topic. These have included a Roman road cake complete with cobbles, a Roman bath made of lego, and lots of fantastic mosaic designs.





Much of our other learning this term has been linked to our science work about space: we have learnt how the solar system works, including creating a scale model using toilet roll squares to represent each planet's distance from the sun. Even using a square of toilet roll as 10 million km, we still couldn't fit all the planets on the playground! In music we have been listening to Holst's planet suite, where each piece of music represents the characteristics of a different planet, and in DT we have started designing alien stuffed toys, which we will finihs next term.

In PE, we have been perfecting our gymnastics techniques, and it has been great to see so much improvement in the skills of vaulting, rolling and balance. We continue to keep moving every day with our

daily boost, including yoga and pilates and dance, as well as fitness activities outside (when it isnt raining!)





In computing, we have had fun exploring stop frame animation, making our own animations using Plasticine characters.





RE has focused on Islam this term, and Oak class joined Ash to visit the mosque in Leicester, where they brought their learning to life and asked lots of really thoughtful and respectful questions, whilst in PSHE we have been thinking about stereotypes and how people might not be what we expect.

One of the highlights of this term was our visit from the poet Matt Goodfellow, who led a workshop to help us all write poems in our own voice. We had a wonderful, inspiring day and wrote some fantastic poems as a result.



