



The Autumn Term has been busy and jam packed with lots of learning! That 'buzz' of learning is in every room. I am so pleased with the progress that the children are making! We have particularly enjoyed inviting families into school to have a look around and feel that buzz! Our Year 6 tour guides did an amazing job on our open days and our Year 4 children have been delighted to be able to meet their buddies from Little Dragons Day Nursery.

We recognised Anti-bullying Week by wearing odd socks and discussing bullying in our collective worships and PSHE lessons.

Reception have been using their stem sentences in Maths to develop their mathematical language of fewer and more. They enjoyed a Diwali dance workshop, which they really threw themselves into! They have also made some wonderful firework pictures as part of their topic on light.



In Year 1, they have been discussing different habitats and the sorts of animals they might find in the school grounds. They have used their stem sentences for addition to help them solve word problems in maths and then used colourful semantics to help them build sentences for their safari guides. They also completed a practical post-assessment in maths, using part/part/whole models to partition numbers.

The progression into Year 2 was very clear as they are using partitioning numbers to bridge ten in addition. For example, $25 + 7 = 25 + (5+2)$. They have also written their Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark stories and should be feeling very proud of themselves!

Year 3/4 have built excellent teamwork, gross motor skills and balance with Mr White. They have routinely had the Chromebooks out to code, so that a character could find his way out of the maze. They also prepared and shared the most beautiful Remembrance service in Holy Cross on Friday 11th November.



Year 5 have been practising their handwriting, whilst learning cool maths facts! Forty is the only number to have its letters in alphabetical order! Who knew?! They have also learnt about Verdi's 'Dies Ire' in Music - identifying the instruments and whether they enjoyed it or not.

In Years 5 and 6 they have been continuing their artwork on making paper sculptures of birds; as well as learning about the Shang Dynasty and where it falls on a timeline.

We are so proud of our school choir who sang with lots of other children from across Northamptonshire at Peterborough Cathedral on 16th November. They performed a Joseph medley and did us all proud!



CHRISTMAS IS COMING!

We have several events coming up to celebrate the festive season:

- 25th November – Music Café: an opportunity for all those who learn an instrument to perform
- 3rd December – Christmas Market **ALL WELCOME!** Over 15 stallholders selling unique, handcrafted gifts!
- 8th December – Christmas Movie Night: thank you FoPs!
- 8th December – Christmas Jumper Day
- 9th December - Whole school trip to the pantomime!
- 12th December – Reception Class's Nativity in Holy Cross
- 13th/14th - Key Stage One's Christmas Play
- 14th December - Whole school Christmas dinner
- 15th December – 2pm Christingle at Holy Cross
- 16th December – 1.30pm Carols on the playground – **ALL WELCOME**

THE BEST START FOR YOUR CHILD

If you have a child who turns five between 1st September 2023 and 31st August 2024, January sees the deadline for applications to primary schools.

If you haven't done so already – come and see us in action. Mrs McLean's favourite thing is to show people around our brilliant school! Spaces are filling up fast - Call Jane or Clare on 01327 830 301 to book your personal tour.

You can follow our learning journey on our social media:

- **Website:** www.pattishallschool.co.uk
- **Twitter:** @TeamPattishall
- **Instagram:** pattishallceprimary
- **Facebook Page:** @pattishallceprimarieschool
- **Facebook Group:** Pattishall CE Primary Virtual Playground

COME AND JOIN THE BEST TEAM

We are also recruiting... If you'd like to be involved in school life, please have a look at our website

www.pattishallschool.co.uk/vacancies

We have openings for midday meal supervisors, governors and an HLTA.

AND FINALLY...

On behalf of the team and the children of Pattishall CE Primary School, I wish you all a happy, safe and peaceful Christmas!