

<u>BRAYBROOK</u> <u>Year 5 (Gem)</u> Fortnightly Newsletter

<u>Maths</u>

Over the past couple of weeks, we have continued to develop our place value knowledge by looking at numbers that go below zero. We have been ordering negative numbers as well as being able to say which negative numbers are larger than others. We have also begun to revisit different ways that we can add and subtract when using negative numbers. These mental strategies we have been learning will help us when we come to mentally add and subtract positive numbers.

English

In English, we have been working hard on ensuring that our writing is beginning to move to a year 5 standard. We have been basing our writing around setting descriptions of a fairground and a haunted house. The children have tried to use a mixture of different sentences and phrases such as subordinate clauses, 3 adjective sentences, and similes in order to really draw the reader in and give a clear image of the setting they are trying to describe. We will be continuing to make these improvements by linking our historical knowledge of the Viking raids to create letters as if the children were Anglo Saxons who had been raided.

Foundation Subjects

In our History sessions, we have been focusing on Black History Month. The children explored the life of World War 1 veteran Walter Tull. They created their very own Biography of his life and also created a self portrait of him. Within assembly they then debated why they felt Walter was inspirational.

The last day of the term saw the return of Passport to the World. This term we focused on South Africa. This allowed us to incorporate Art and Dance. The children explored common patterns that you would find in Africa and South Africa and designed their very own. They also created a class pattern. In the afternoon, the children then learnt about Gumboot dancing (a traditional South African miners dance) The children learnt the dance and presented both the dance and artwork in assembly.

In PE lessons, Gem have been improving their knowledge in the sport of Football. They have been working on their teamwork skills in order to attack and defend. Photos







Reminders

Thank you for sending the children with their PE kit each Tuesday. Please remember the schools P.E kit must be worn to P.E and Sports Clubs. If you are unable to get a P.E shirt with a Braybrook badge then a plain red t-shirt is fine.

Key dates:

14.11.23- Peterborough United Assembly.

2.11.23 - Halloween Movie Night.

<u>Homework:</u> a reminder that homework should be brought in on a Monday. In the books they should complete each word five times and then write a sentence for each word.



