

Year 5 Blog - Week commencing 8th January 2024

Amazing astronauts in Year 5

Year 5 had a really enjoyable first week back after the Christmas break.

On Monday pupils took part in a variety of activities all connected to our termly topic, space exploration.

Pupils analysed the statement;

'Considering the risks of exploring further away from Earth, is it ethical to send humans into space or should they be replaced by robots?'

Pupils enjoyed constructing and sharing their own thoughts and ideas, we also explored the aspects of space pupils wanted to learn about.

We then researched various star constellations and pupils created their own night sky scene with a chosen constellation which was projected onto the ceiling.

Pupils also took part in a water rocket challenge; they had to design and make a water rocket that was capable of reaching 20 meters into the air. Some rockets were more successful than others, however all pupils thoroughly enjoyed the experiment.

Writing

Pupils used a Star Wars theme to write a description of the alien planet Tatoonie, they also introduced the first character of their narrative who was based on Anakin Skywalker. Pupils practiced using relative and embedded clauses to enhance the description of their writing.

Religious Education

Year 5 pupils have started their first philosophy module this year. They came up with a definition of 'good'. They considered how people make decisions and why people are not always good/moral. Pupils were given a range of scenarios where they had to decide what they should do, which at times was difficult given the conflict between moral and ethical.

