

Year 6 blog week commencing 23.01.2023: Japanese Banketto Week!

The year 6 teachers were thrilled to have so many parents join us in school this week for the children's Asian cooking sessions. We were impressed by the pupils' sushi making skills and team work. They put a lot of effort into the planning, cooking, setting up and tidying of the days and deserve a big well done! We hope everyone that attended enjoyed themselves. The classes have produced fantastic DT double page spreads based on their cooking this week and will be finishing these early next week with an evaluation of their dishes.

In geography this week, the pupils produced bar graphs representing import and export data related to Japanese trade. They were challenged with the mastery question: 'why is international trade important for a country's economy?' and comparison to UK trade.

Science was a favourite lesson for many this week as the children were tasked with creating their own living animal. This was following a learning activity around the different categories of living things: mammals, arachnids, fish, insects, molluscs, amphibians, echinoderms, birds, crustaceans, reptiles and anellids. After they designed and annotated their 'curious creature', the children had to classify their animal into one of the listed groups based on which characteristics they had. There were some interesting creations including ones we wouldn't want to come across on a nature walk!

In writing, year 6 have now finished their Japanese discussion texts, arguing reasons for and against living in Japan. They have used all of their knowledge and research to present some very convincing arguments. There are definitely some travel writers in our year!

In maths, we were understanding how to round decimal numbers to the nearest tenth, hundredth and thousandth and how to add and subtract decimals using column addition. In order to succeed, some children had to refresh their understanding of place value columns with decimal numbers. Others were able to apply methods to real-life contexts such as looking at measure or money problems that involve decimal numbers.

We want to thank all parents, carers and family members who came to our Japanese Bankettos and drop in session after school on Wednesday. We look forward to seeing you next Monday afternoon at 2pm for our Art day.

