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E-Safety

During the past two weeks, our students have been furthering their understanding of E-Safety. They have been exploring the etiquette of online communication and were introduced to our E-Safety Golden Rules. Students have also been given opportunities to debate a variety of scenarios involving the use of social media and the negative impact, on their peers, such platforms can have if misused. During their recent assembly, students in the Foundation Stage advised Smartie the Penguin of the need to ask an adult if he ever finds something that he is unsure of whilst playing with his tablet online.





In FS1 Yellow...



...last week we had a very exciting learning opportunity as part of our topic, Amazing Animals. We visited a safari area in the Family Park and were able to see some animals in real life. We viewed lions, monkeys, crocodiles and many more exciting animals. It was lunch time for some of the animals and we saw some being fed. Our own tummies were rumbling so next we stopped at the tables for our picnic lunches. After eating and visiting the animals, we were able to put some of our animal movements into action when we went to play in the playground. We tried out the monkey bars and watched each other climbing, sliding, swinging and many more thrilling ways of travelling around the adventure park. Finally, when we were all tired out, we got back on the bus and some of the children were experts at playing the game 'Sleeping Lions!'.



In FS2 Yellow...



...as part of our topic, Food Around the World, the children went on a trip to the Italian Restaurant, Vero Trattoria. Before leaving school, we talked about ways to keep safe on the bus and on the way to the restaurant. At the restaurant, students were really excited to learn how to make their own Italian pizza with the help of a chef. They talked about the various ingredients that they selected to top their pizza. Students then followed the instructions to make their own pizza and enjoyed sharing their ideas for their choice of toppings, before adding to the pizzas. After designing their pizzas, the chef placed them in the pizza oven and served them to the students. They all displayed good table manners whilst sitting and eating their creations. Well done, FS2 Yellow, you have managed to design your own pizzas and have shown great table manners!



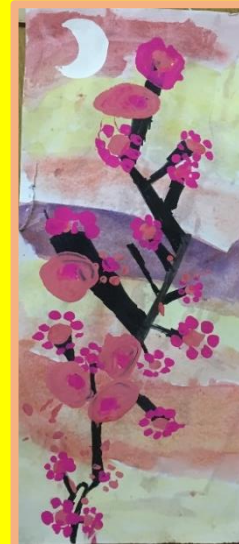
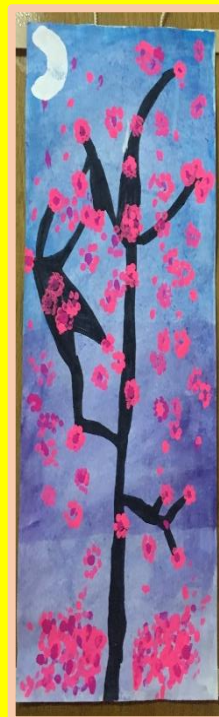
In Year 1 Yellow...

...we have had a busy final week of learning all about fairytales. Following five weeks of learning, the students put all their knowledge into writing their own original fairytales. The stories included mermaids captured at sea, fairies in football games and naughty little elves destroying princesses' shoes. In Maths the children have been busy practising their time- telling skills, and using these to solve time- related problems. In Science they have continued to learn about animals and used different sources to carry out their own research. The students also collected facts about the animal descriptions, habitats, diets and even some very interesting and strange facts. The students have also been learning about different artists, with a particular focus on the famous Egyptian artist, Emad Ibrahim.





In Year 2 Yellow...



...this term we are exploring China. We have been researching lots of different facts about the country and comparing these facts to Egypt. We looked at the size, population, natural features and the landmarks of both countries. In China, the cherry blossom trees signify power and strength. We decided to create our own cherry blossom trees. First, we experimented with hot and cold colours for our background. Next, we sketched the cherry blossom trees using real images of the trees to support our drawings. Finally, we used different colours of paint to create effective cherry blossoms. Our paintings were a total success because of our attention to detail, perseverance and willingness to do our best. Look how fantastic our paintings are!



In Year 3 Yellow...



...it's show time! Well, it was last Thursday when we sang our socks off! Our show was about our work in Science and Topic: Forces and Egypt Today. We sang about the area in Cairo known as Downtown (Paris on the Nile). Our class was first to take the stage, so we knew we had to start the show with a bang – and we did just that! Lines were spoken clearly, the song was sung beautifully and the actions were superb! We're a little sad that Weird Science is now over.



In Year 4 Yellow...



...we have been enjoying discussing how to be safe online as part of Internet Safety Week. The internet is a fantastic resource for work and play. Many of our students use it for researching topics in school, and at home, as well as playing online games and communicating with their friends. We have discussed the ages children should start using social media, how to keep passwords and personal details safe and who to talk to if they are unsure about content or people they 'meet' online. They have demonstrated a very sensible approach to all these topics. Their 'internet aware' approach should help keep them safe online and best ensure that they carry on enjoying using the amazing World Wide Web in all its forms!



In Year 5 Yellow...

...we have thoroughly enjoyed our Science Topic, Properties and Changes of Materials, this half term. We have used a range of materials, testing for durability, flexibility, whether or not a material would dissolve or melt, together with finding out the differences between the two processes. We investigated conductors of heat and electricity, learning how to separate different materials; the list has been exciting as well as extensive. One of the highlights this half term was our visit to the Secondary science laboratories, where we investigated heat conductors. Wearing goggles over our eyes gave us the experience of learning like Secondary Students.





In Year 6 Yellow...

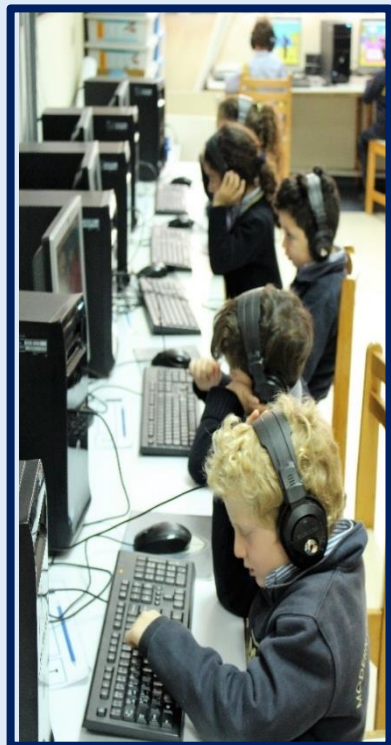


...we had an exciting start to this week with our Sports Day! As is customary, we all came to school dressed in our House t-shirts, determined to win. Some of the events we participated in were Tug-of-War, Cops and Robbers and Non-Stop Relay. In Yellow class, we witnessed some excellent individual performances in the track and field events. Well done to all our medal winners and to the class, as a whole, for a fantastic effort combined with great sporting attitudes!

In ICT...



...it is an exciting, busy time in the Computing Department! We have been enjoying a focus on E-Safety across the school since Safer Internet Day on the 6th of February. In Computing lessons, Year 1 have been learning about Lee and Kim's journey to become Internet Protectors through some great animation and song. Year 5 have been investigating Google's Interland resource and Year 3 have ventured into the Wild Web Woods! Mr Cole's Secondary Pioneers have been presenting their ideas on how to be safer online to the Year 5 and Year 6 classes. Mr Mulligan's Digital Leaders have been sharing their skills by teaching short lessons to their classes and children from Year 1 to Year 8 have begun submitting entries to the E-Safety Golden Rules Poster Competition. In FS, the focus has been on Smartie the Penguin with lessons and assemblies to help the children learn. Phew! We have been very busy getting safer here at MES!





APP of the week..



... in Year 6 we are learning about myths and legends. We have been using different apps and websites in order to read various stories of mythical and legendary proportions. We have used this research to re-enact the tales we discovered.



Coming Up Next...

Sunday 4th March

World Book Day

Sunday 11th March

Summer Uniform Change Over Begins

Monday 19th March

Grandparents' Day

Wednesday 21st March

24-hour Fun Run

Mothers' Day

Sunday 25th March

Last week for Term 2 ASAs

