

Humanities at Mereworth



What have Year R been learning? Year R have learning about Diwali and how it is celebrated. We looked at the similarities and differences compared to how we celebrate Christmas. We learnt about Rama and Sita and how the Festival of Light is celebrated by different people. The children enjoyed recreating the story through role play.

Year One have been learning... all about the countries that make up the United Kingdom. We looked at the UK on a map and then learnt about each of the different countries, thinking about their capital city, national flower, animal and saint. Once we had explored the UK, we looked at where we lived and compared this to other places in England, like big cities and towns, to see how they were different.



In Year Two... the children having been comparing China with England, looking at the similarities and differences between them. The class have enjoyed learning in a variety of ways, playing a 'top trumps' game, and finding information out for themselves using research techniques. Lily said "We have been learning about physical features like hills and fields. I like that the best. We were comparing Beijing and London and we saw the London Eye." Liam commented "Beijing and London kind of look the same but they're not."



What's been happening in Year Three?

Year Three have been busy learning all about the Stone Age, Bronze Age and the Iron Age. Recently they went on a class trip to the Wide Horizons Centre to become fully immersed in the topic. Gino said " We've been learning what they ate, dressed in and how they lived. We went to a school for Stone Age learning and did some fire lighting and cave painting with real mud. Mr Mitchell said it was animal dung but it wasn't! We did archaeological digging and hunting. I really enjoyed it. It was epic!"



What Year Four have been learning ...

In November Year Four went to Canterbury Museum to learn about the Romans. There they made mosaics, went on an investigative trail through the museum, and took part in an archaeological workshop. The children also dressed up in Roman clothes and learnt about the Roman way of life, how their settlement had changed from Celtic times and also learnt about the Roman army.



Meanwhile in Year Five... the children have been learning about the Romans. They have learnt how the Romans lived, what they wore and what they ate. They have also learnt about the countries the Romans invaded and why they invaded different counties. Ryan said *"We've written a report about the Battle of Hastings and the castles. We drew a picture about a castle and we've learnt about the parts of the castle like the motte and bailey and we've learnt about its defence and what its used for. I really like history and learning about the past."*



And finally in Year Six... the children have been learning about World War Two. They have been reading the story 'Goodnight Mr Tom' and have been learning about life during the war. Toby said *"We've learnt about evacuation which is in the story that we're reading. We've done our own personal study and reported on a bomb site as if we were there. I studied about some of the planes that flew in World War Two. I've enjoyed it because I have learnt all about the past and researched people in my family that have been in the war."*



Year Six have also made their own Anderson shelters.



During the Christmas holidays why don't you... join in the Christmas celebrations at Mereworth Church on Christmas Eve for the annual Christingle service. Christingle starts at 5pm and is a lovely family service celebrating Jesus Christ as 'The Light of the World'.