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Fitzwilliam Trip

Years Two and Five went on an interesting trip on the 28th April. As well as going to the Fitzwilliam Museum, in Cambridge, they went to the Botanic Gardens too! Both classes went to the two buildings to find out about plants and history. The children, along with some helpers, got to Cambridge bright and early, so they could fit in the day's activities. First the Year 2's went and saw the tree where Isaac Newton thought

about gravity, while the year 5's went to the Fitzwilliam to learn about Greeks. Then after lunch the classes swapped over. The year2's looked at armour meanwhile the year5's learnt the parts of a plant. After a fun packed day the classes and helpers arrived back at school shattered, but happy. They had learnt so much and had fun at the same time! Thank-you to all helpers.

May Day

On the first of May, Upwood school had a May Day. During that morning the children performed dances to celebrate May Day. Mrs Myles-Gardiner was in charge of this fabulous event, so thank-you Mrs M-G! Everyone loved the day and the dances.



DT Week

During the summer term, every pupil in the school took part in a DT week. Here is what each class made:

Reception: Paper flowers

Year 1: Biscuits

Year 2: Dragons

Year 3: Periscopes

Year 4: Fruit salads

Year 5: Carousels

Year 6: Bridges

Every class enjoyed their activities and are looking forward to the next DT week at the school in the Autumn Term. Below is a list of children who won a certificate for good work.

Reception: Alex

Year 1: Jake E and Gemma

Year 2: James and Aston

Year 3: Matthew and Danni

Year 4: Bethany

Year 5: Matthew and Tom Lee

Year 6: Rionach, Keenan, Tabitha and Jessica

School Residential 2009

Monday

On Monday 22nd June 2009 some pupils from Years 4, 5 and 6 went on the school residential to the Isle of Wight. Everyone who was going walked into the hall at around 7:00am and then gave medicine and money to the adults in the hall. Then after a while everyone hopped onto the coach and waved goodbye to their families.

After hours and hours sitting in the coach we finally arrived at the ferry port where the coach driver slowly drove onto the ferry and we all got off. We had our packed lunches on the ferry and after about half an hour we arrived in the Isle of Wight and continued driving until we arrived at the Brading Wax Works. We looked around the Wax Works and terrified ourselves in the Chamber of Horrors. Then afterwards we got back into the coach and left to go to the hotel. When we got there we unpacked a bit and went down stairs where we had dinner. Next we walked to the glorious beach and played in the sand for a while. Then we went back to the hotel watched a DVD and went to bed.

Tuesday

After a good nights sleep everyone woke up ready to go out for the day. We went downstairs to eat breakfast, grabbed our rucksacks and left for another exciting day.

First we visited Swiss Cottage on the Osborne House Estate which is a small cottage that Queen Victoria made for her children so that they could learn housekeeping skills. We looked around and then went to Osborne House. It was huge and full of really interesting items.

We walked around there, had our lunch and went on to Robin Hill Park.

Robin Hill is a fun theme park and we spent a while doing exciting fun things like going on a giant toboggan run. We also saw a really fantastic flying display by birds of prey that flew so low over our heads we all had to duck to avoid being hit.

In the evening we all went bowling and after a very close tournament Mrs M-G won closely followed by Harry Branch. It was really fun! After that we went back to the hotel and went to bed exhausted.

Wednesday

Early in the morning we all woke up and got dressed ready for another thrilling day.

First we visited the aquarium where we learnt a lot about creatures of the sea and saw some of the many fish that are in the seas around the Isle of Wight. It was really fun! Then everyone got back into the coach and we travelled to Alum Bay. First we watched some sweets being made at the sweet factory and afterwards we all got to try them. Yummy! Next we went to the Alum Bay glass factory where we saw the people make some really nice things with the glass. Then we all visited the shops and bought some things. The next thing we did was go down about 188 stairs. We walked down them onto the beach and got onto a boat that took us out to the Needles to take a closer look at the lighthouse.

After that we had to climb back up the 188 steps, which was really exhausting, onto the coach and went back to the hotel. We picked up our swimming kits and went swimming at the local leisure centre. After swimming and splashing in the pool we went back to our hotel and tired, but happy, we went to bed.

Thursday

On Thursday morning, after breakfast, we went into our bedrooms to get our rucksacks and left to go to a place called Shanklin Chine where we looked at the beautiful waterfalls and even some chipmunks that they had there! Then we visited a small zoo called Amazon World where we saw some lovely animals. All the animals and birds were in large greenhouses that were full of plants from the rainforests. It was really hot and humid in the greenhouses. After that we travelled back to the hotel and got ready to go to the beach where we had a sand castle competition! For once the teachers did not win! After that we watched a DVD at the hotel and went to sleep.

Friday

Our last day. At about 6:00am everyone packed up and came downstairs to have breakfast. After breakfast we brought our bags downstairs and left. We got on a little boat and sailed off to Portsmouth where we went to HMS Victory. We looked around there for a while and then left to get back on the coach.

After many hours on the coach we got back and everyone was really pleased to see their friends and families again! What a week!

Reception/Y1 trip

On 2nd July, Reception and Y1 went to Thurleigh Farm on a school trip. Both classes travelled on a coach to get there. First, they fed the animals including llamas, goats and pigs. Then they went on a nature trail to Wacky Woods where they saw reindeers and many cottages. Afterwards, they came across a load of steps, which the children loved climbing, to see Peter Pan in a small tree house. Then they had a tractor ride round the parks and also went on a real fire engine where they helped use the hose and soaked all the teachers. When they had finished spraying the teachers they held real

rabbits in the animal park. Next, they went to play in an indoor and outdoor play area where there were tons of slides, climbing equipment and swings. Overall, they all thoroughly enjoyed the entire day.

Year Five Maths Day

On the 18th June, three year five children were chosen to go to the Abbey College for a maths activity day. The three children were: Matthew Howes, Dominic Peck and Emma Day. For doing so well they each received a scientific calculator. They all really enjoyed the day!

Science Day

On the 12th of June, three year 5 students went to the Abbey Collage for a science morning. Tom Lee, Tawney Evans and Isobel Hopkins had a fantastic time. During the morning they did lots of fun activities, such as: learning about gases; making POP noises; and finally making air and water rockets. Surprisingly, Tawney and Tom said the same thing which was, "I enjoyed setting off the rocket. It was so fun." Hopefully, the future year 5s will have as much of a good time as they did next year.

Tesco Vouchers

This year Upwood School got more than 30,000 Tesco vouchers to spend. Mr Frost has ordered the following to help the children in subjects: mini electric white boards; play ground equipment and lots more.

Sainsbury's Vouchers

During the term the school have been collecting Sainsbury's vouchers. Miss Cox has recently been ordering various sports equipment for all the children to use and enjoy including a new swing ball set.

A huge thankyou to everyone who helped by sending in their vouchers.

Certificate Assembly

On the 13th July, the school held a certificate assembly. There were three categories of awards.

For improvement in reading the people who were chosen were:

Reception- J T and Cassie

Y1 - Samuel and Charlie

Y2- Patrick and Aston

Y3- Chloe and Tommy

Y4- Jackson and Orla

Y5- Michael B and Kieran

Y6- Tabitha and Jordan M

For Responsibility the people chosen were:

Reception- Ben and Tyler

Y1- Connor and Nate

Y2- Ewan and Chloe G

Y3- Kirsten and Courtney

Y4- Georgia and Jamie

Y5-Lowri and Emma

Y6- Matthew and Rionach

For Swimming the people chosen were:

Reception-Joe E and Alex

Y1- Lauren and Jacob

Y2- Chloeanne and Audrey

Y3- Danni and Kira

Y4- Aaron and Hanna J

Y5- Ellie and Kane

Y6- Georgina and Aimee

For good sportsmanship the following were chosen:

Reception- Ryan

Y1- Jacob C

Y2- Imogen

Y3- Cameron

Y4-Ollie

Y5- Isobel

Y6 Phoebe and Matthew

Well done to everybody who received an award.

Y5/6 Boys Football Tournament

On the 2nd June 2009, seven boys out of Y5/6, Jason Quilter, Matthew Howes, Kelsey Cullum, Matthew Eyre, Marco Fiore, Jordan Mays, Jordan Damant and Jordan Hunwin, played in a tournament. They played a total of three games against Bury, Houghton and Abbots Ripton. The first game they played was against Houghton which they won 2-0 with one goal each for Matthew E and Jordan H. The second game was against Bury with Upwood going 1-0 up thanks to a goal from Jordan H, but Bury clenched a goal back right at the end to make the final result 1-1. Upwood's third and final game was against Abbots Ripton which didn't go too well with Upwood losing 2-0. In the end, Upwood finished second which was a good achievement. The team and Mr Frost had a fun day even though they didn't win and the team thanks everybody who came to help and support them through the day.

Gym Performance

On the 20th June 2009 the Upwood School Gymnastics Formation Team performed a show at the Upwood Village Fete. The team was made up of Xander Waters, Jordan Hunwin, Lydia Bacon, Phoebe Crawford, Lowri Robinson, Isobel Hopkins, Molly Wright, Kayleigh Hunwin, Hanna J, Holly J, Emma Day and Hermione Crawford. The routine was made up of different moves, positions and balances and was enjoyed by all who watched.

Y5/6 Football and 6 A-side county Final

On May 10th 2009 a team of eight boys out of Y5/6, Jason Quilter, Matthew Howes, Kelsey Cullum, Matthew Eyre, Marco Fiore, Jordan Hunwin, Jordan Mays and Jordan Damant, played in the 6-a-side county final. They played a total of three games. The first game was against William Law which unfortunately Upwood lost 1-0. The second game was against the team William J which was a close game but right at the end William J squeezed a goal to take the second game. But the third game was better because Upwood won it 3-0 against St Mary's with two goals coming from Jordan Mays and one coming from Matthew Eyre. Then the results came through that Upwood had come third by one and William J and William Law had tied in first place. So they had to play a match to decide the winner. The end result was 1-1 so they went to penalties where William J won. At the end, the players each got a certificate for reaching the final

High Fives

In April, Upwood played in a High Fives tournament. Two teams represented Upwood from Y5 and Y6. The A Team was Rionach B-N, Phoebe C, Matthew E, Jordan D, Isobel H and Matthew H and the B Team were Lowri R, Ellie S, Emma D Jason Q, Harry D and Dominic P. First, Upwood A team unfortunately lost against Bury 0-3 however they soon pulled back by winning the next game against Wheatfields, 2-1. After a short break, Upwood then played Holywell but sadly lost 1-4. In the end, Upwood A Team came 6th out of 9 teams.

However, Upwood B Team drew their first game against Westfield, 0-0. Unfortunately though, in the next game Upwood lost against Bury 0-3. Their third game was fantastic though and they thrashed St Helen's 7-0 coming 5th out of 7 teams.

Well done to both teams.

Sports Day

On Monday 6th July the whole of Upwood School took part in a big day of sporting activities. After all the mini events there were three running races which were: Flat race, Skipping race and Bean Bag on Head race. All this happened in the afternoon and afterwards everyone was rewarded with lolly pops. This year's winning house was Ruby. Well done to everyone who ran, skipped or balanced objects and a huge thank you to Miss Cox for organising the day.