

KS1 Newsletter

March 2021

We have been busy in KS1 this term and have enjoyed learning about Iqaluit and exploring the story of 'What We'll Build' by Oliver Jeffers. Please enjoy a snapshot of our learning journey for this term.

KS1 Team.

Project

This term, we have been exploring our enquiry question '**What is it like in Iqaluit, Canadian Arctic?**'. To help us to answer this question, we have drawn upon our previous knowledge of The Arctic to explore the Tundra climate of Iqaluit. We look at both human and physical features of Iqaluit and made comparisons to our life in Bristol.

We then explored Inuit traditions including food, shelter, transport, clothing and culture. We loved playing traditional drums and even had a go at hosting our own throat-singing competitions! We have really enjoyed immersing ourselves into this topic and becoming experts on Iqaluit!



What We'll Build

Key Stage One have loved reading the story 'What We'll Build' by Oliver Jeffers. We thought about what we could build for display in our school and made wind chimes using natural resources, beads and bells. These will be displayed in our school sensory garden for all to see!

The Key Stage One team would like to say a very big and heart-felt thank you to all of our families for all of your hard work over this term. We are so grateful for the fantastic work and dedication that you have all shown. Thank you!

Art

This term we have been exploring creating secondary colours from primary colours and used our new knowledge to create some paintings based on the story of 'What We'll Build' by Oliver Jeffers.



Red Nose Day

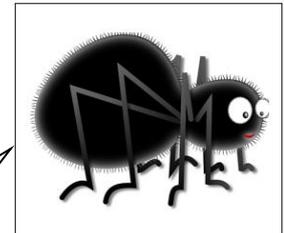
On Friday 19th March, we had a brilliant day celebrating Red Nose Day. We enjoyed wearing something that made us smile and completing lots of fun activities during the day. We had a great time designing our own red noses that represent us and playing a game of pin the red nose on the teacher!

ELLI characters

This term we have taken inspiration mainly from the bee in our ELLI characters. We have worked hard to foster a team feeling in our individual class bubbles and have taken part in many different team building activities. We continued to work as a team when we explored our topic enquiry question of '**What is it like in Iqaluit, Canadian Arctic?**' During this topic we worked in teams to showcase our learning in an information video. We also focussed on the spider from our Elli character family, where we applied our previous knowledge of the Canadian Arctic. Next term we will be focusing on the owl from our Elli characters, where we will be thinking about how we can be aware of our feelings, thoughts and ideas for doing things differently in our learning. We will create a toolkit of strategies we can use in different situations and take time out to think about them.



"The bee inspired me to work as part of a team and learn from others."



"The spider inspired me to be on the lookout for connections between what I am learning and what I already know."

Next term

In Term 5, we will be learning all about some famous explorers and their journey across the North West Passage. Our enquiry question will be: **Cabot, Hudson and Amundsen: Why was crossing the North West Passage such a challenge?**

We will send home a topic overview at the beginning of next term.

Science

This term we have learning all about **Animals Including Humans**. We have categorised animals according to their features and considered animals and their offspring.

We very much enjoyed taking part in our Science Day where we had a day filled with experiments and thinking scientifically!

UPCOMING DATES

Monday 19th April
Start of Term 5

Wednesday 21st April
Class and Year 6 Leavers
Photo

W/C Monday 26th April
Learning Consultations

Friday 30th April
INSET Day