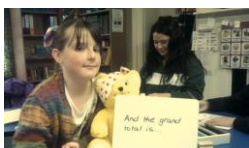


How much for your silence?

On Friday 16th November, the Puffins class at the Wisbech Cambian School, spent an hour undertaking a sponsored silence in aid of 'Children in Need'. The children planned the activity, wrote letters home to their parents, and made paper chains to keep themselves entertained during the hour.

Last year, the children raised an amazing £60, but they excelled themselves this year by raising £100. AK, aged ten, said, "It was hard work keeping quiet, but we raised even more money than last year!!"



Marvellous Maths

This half term in Maths, pupils have studied probability and also started looking at algebra. During these topics they have looked at; finding probabilities, function machines, substitution and solving equations. Pupils particularly enjoyed an activity in which they had to solve well known phrases using only the given letters!



Excellent English

This half term students have been completing a villains project. Students chose from Charles Salvador, Al Capone and The Kray twins. Students had to produce a written or typed information booklet about their chosen villain. Students have also been working on topics including: Standard English, spellings, debating and grammar.

Humanities

This half term students have continued their work on crime and punishment, they have looked at young offenders, gangs and knife crime. Students were visited by ex-prison officers who gave a presentation called; 'prison, a reality'. Students were able to hear first-hand what prison life is really like and hear all about their encounters with Charles Salvador, among other notorious prisoners. Matthew, from 'prison, a reality', had this to say about his visit to the school - 'I will say to you that it has been an absolute pleasure presenting at your school. The staff have been warm and welcoming from the moment we stepped through the door. It is also great to see the working rapport you have built with the students.

As for the students, Colin and I commented to each other on leaving how we found their exceptional behaviour and interaction in what can be a difficult subject'.



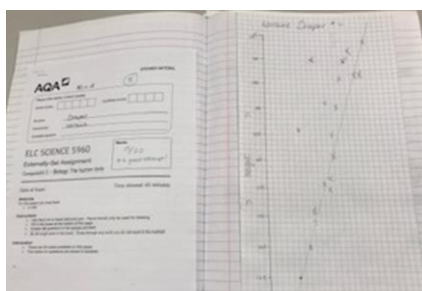
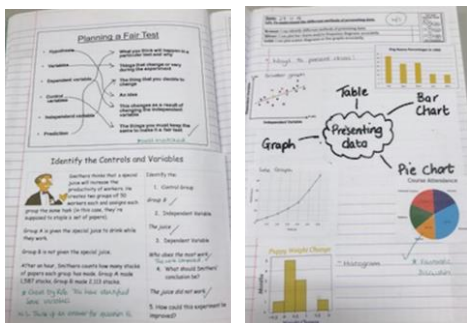
Hair and Beauty

This half term in hair and beauty we introduced hairdressing in to our lessons and began by focusing on understanding health and safety within the hair dressing industry. Students then identified and learnt the uses of different pieces of equipment and products that they may use if they were a barber or a hairdresser. Students used the hairdressing heads to create hairstyles and used research platforms to evidence change in hairstyles over the decades. Pupils then moved on to learning how to cut and wash hair professionally and safely and followed processes independently which they evidenced for their work folders. Students worked on a range of different hair throughout the term; curly hair, long hair and straight hair.



Super Science!

This half term pupils have been looking at working scientifically. They have looked at and explored fair testing, variables and representing data. To finish the term we studied 'pathogens' and the role of white blood cells in our bodies.



Food Technology.

This half of the term pupils at Wisbech school have been concentrating on some of the theory modules relating to Healthy Eating. They have primarily looked at three sections of the Eatwell plate, fats, carbohydrates and proteins. The work that they generated through their investigations on these three groups was used to create a corridor display.



To represent the three food groups investigated the pupils made a lasagne dish representative of these.



The pupils also used the internet to investigate the food and drink traffic light system and were shocked to see the sugar and fat content in several of the things that they regularly consume.

Mechanics

Three pupils this half term have been working on a scooter project in their off-site mechanics sessions.

Their challenge was to restore an old scooter by taking it apart, replacing old worn parts, and making it look like new again. Furthermore, they needed to make sure it worked and was road-worthy! Here are photos of them at work:



Boxing



One group of pupils has continued with their chosen option of boxing this half term. Boris has been putting them through their paces not only with their developing boxing skills but with their overall fitness! Above is a picture of LR practicing some of the techniques he has been taught.

Trips, Visits and Reward activities

Pupils have thoroughly enjoyed working towards a range of different reward trips and activities. Some of which have included; Gauntlet Motor biking, trampolining at Bounce, ice skating and the cinema.

Alongside these fun rewards we have been able to incorporate some educational visits to museums and places of local historical interest. On these trip days, pupils have an opportunity to try new things, develop social skills and learn more about our local area. Below are some photos to show examples of these:



End of Term Christmas Celebrations!

What a lovely end to the autumn term! Staff and pupils all sat down together to enjoy a traditional Christmas lunch during the last week of term. Afterwards, we held a celebration of achievement assembly, in which the pupils were awarded certificates and congratulated on this term's achievements.

