

Asdan Animal Care

Some of the pupils at Anglia Way have been working on their animal care (Asdan) at the farm in Snettisham. Below are some photos to show their learning:



English – Anglia Way

All students have been developing their reading skills by studying the novels Good Night Mr Tom, Private Peaceful and Boy in the Tower. They have learned to use inference and retrieval, carried out character and setting analysis and examined authors' use of figurative language. Students have written character analyses and used role play to examine characters and develop empathy for them.

Year 11 students have been working on GCSE reading skills – analysing the structure, language and identifying and interpreting a variety of ghost stories. In addition they have been practising GCSE questions as part of their revision.

All students have been practising spelling, grammar and punctuation skills by learning a new set of weekly spellings on Mondays ready for a test on Fridays. Scrabble continues to be a firm Cambian favourite, now recently upgraded to Deluxe Scrabble! This has helped students develop their vocabulary, spelling and dictionary skills.

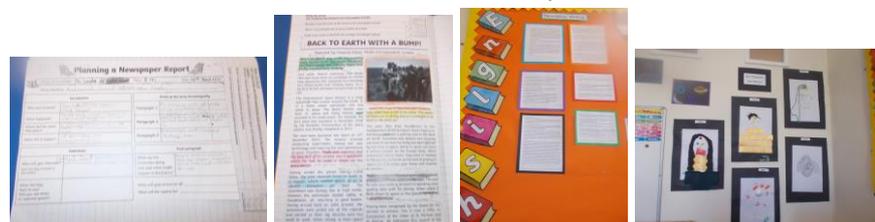
It has been wonderful to have the students back this term and producing some great work!



Learning in Smarties Class

Over this half term the children have had the chance to do some very exciting activities.

During our Arts and Humanities lesson the children have been learning about the power of flight so they have watched videos, drawn pictures, researched about it and even made their very own kites which we then eventually took to the park and flew them. The children's topic this term is all about Space so during our English lessons we have been looking at the Apollo 13, the children have taken a great interest in this topic and are always keen to learn more about Apollo 13, they have even done their own news article on the Apollo 13.



Cultural Day – Judaism and Israel

On the 23rd September all the children’s learning was based around the culture of Judaism and Israel. They learnt all about the language, history, art and religion of the country, as well as experiencing some of the foods that are eaten in the region. They also had a chance to discuss the social justice involved right from the times of the enslavement of the Hebrew race by the Pharaoh of Egypt right through to modern day Israel and the conflict with Palestine. Children moved around the classrooms to each of the different activities and were fantastically well behaved and enthusiastic throughout. A great day was had by all!



Cooking Lessons – Sessions House

This half term we have made a variety of sweet and savoury recipes. We made some bread rolls using yeast so the children could see the process of the bread rising.

We have made savoury rice, apple muffins, coconut sponge, cheese whirls and cheesy scones. We also had a culture day and the students enjoyed trying the different foods.



Forest School – Meerkats and Koalas

This half term Meerkats and Koalas have continued to use the woodland at Snettisham Park for Forest School two days a week. During these sessions we have a variety of adult-led activities which encompass both skill development and knowledge-based learning which related to the science and humanities areas of the National Curriculum. We also have many continuous provision activities which are more child-led. These have been extremely successful this half term in developing areas such as confidence, social skills and independence. It has been a huge pleasure to see the children interacting with each other at the moment, gaining longer and longer times when they are sharing, supporting, playing and working as a team. Our core book is ‘The Lost Spells’ by Robert Macfarlane. When the children sit and listen to the poetry, it gives them chance to have some quiet time and reflect on the day.

Below are just a handful of photos to showcase how successful this has been.



Foodwise

This term students at Anglia Way have been studying about Food Safety within the Asdan Foodwise Short Course.

One exciting lesson involved the transmission of germs - by carrying out a Glitterbug experiment. Students passed around a toy which was covered in the Glitterbug dust and with the help of a UV light discovered how easy it was for germs to be transferred from one thing to another. As you can see the results were quite amazing!



Reward Afternoons

Across both sites, pupils have enjoyed a range of different reward activities for achieving their learning points in morning lessons. Not only has it been great for motivation, it has allowed the pupils to learn new skills and discover new talents!



Learning in Puffins Class

This term our topic has been Earth and Space. We have studied how all the planets, including Earth, orbit the sun and how the Earth's rotation causes night and day. Also we have looked at the lunar cycle and the various phases of the moon. We have also carried out research into the various planets that make our solar system.

In literacy we have produced some imaginary descriptions of made-up planets. We have also spent some time looking at how newspaper reports are written – we finished this by writing our own version of the original moon landing.

Some fantastic PE sessions have also been had, including some very active ones within the classroom itself.



Learning in Koalas and Meerkats Classes

In both Meerkats and Koalas Class this half term, our topic has been People, Pets and Places. The older children in Meerkats have looked at a range of countries including Australia, America and Germany. They have also particularly enjoyed PE lessons which have included tennis skills and team building in Dodgeball.

Koalas class have focused on Mexico and have explored the geographical location, language and culture. In English lessons they looked at the book 'Dear Class' and learned about letter writing and features of letters. They then wrote a letter explaining why they should be picked to care for the class guinea pigs. To end the term we had a 'virtual' trip to Mexico; where we created passports and boarding passes, made and flew paper aeroplanes whilst discussing aerodynamics, tasted Mexican food and celebrated 'The Day of The Dead'. It was a fantastic end to the half term.

