



Primary 5

Newsletter 2

'Secret Garden' Project

Earlier this year Mr McDonald gave us a special task: to research what gardening equipment we thought would be best for the older children in the school. A few weeks later and our new equipment had arrived! We started by checking the order to make sure we had everything, then unpacked and got all of our tools ready. Next we went outside to prepare the raised beds for growing fruit & vegetables, and flowers!

Having got our raised beds sorted, we then spent time working out what we'd like to do to make the 'Secret Garden' a fantastic place to be, with lots of opportunities to learn.

Computing Science

When learning Computing Science, we started by breaking down some of the everyday things we do into their component parts, and then tried programming each other around the playground to better understand how clear we need to be when writing code.

We then created and developed increasingly complex projects - we even made our own games!

Music

In the atrium area outside our classroom we have different musical instruments - piano, drums and electric guitar.

Having explored them in Term 1 we've now chosen one particular instrument to focus on until New Year, doing weekly workshops with Mr Edge and practising in some of our free time.

Maths Week Scotland

During Maths Week Scotland our focus in Primary 5 was on famous mathematicians and we learned about some of the fantastic things they achieved. Did you know that Pi (π) goes on and on forever, without ever repeating? - So within it exists every other number e.g. your birthday & phone number. And if converted to letters, every word that has ever existed?

Physical Education

So far this year we've been working on our possession games skills. We started off looking at football and are now focusing on rugby.

We've also been developing our fitness skills; creating assault courses, playing dodgeball and other games - using the 'bleep test' to track our progress.