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The classrooms are buzzing with activity. Here is an overview of what has been happening in every class.

Amethyst class: This week in Amethyst class the children have listened to the story "Just Imagine by Nick Sharratt. We have been imagining being magical, the type of machine we would invent, what animal we would be and the type of wheels they would like to whizz about on. We used the vehicles to make marks in chalk, counted objects to 5 and beyond and built car ramps using the big wooden blocks. During the week we have also read 'Owl Babies' and learnt about different types of families. On Wednesday afternoon, we had great fun playing parachute games outside on the school field.

Sapphire class: This week the children have been constructing sentences in English about what they see when they look up and what they see when they look down. In maths the children have been involved in many activities related to sorting using different criteria and counting objects using ten frames. The children have been showing off their cutting skills whilst constructing pictures of houses for their topic books.

Pearl class: In Pearl Class, the children enjoyed working as a team in Forest School to build a shelter and light fires safely. In English, we have written instructions to be a good troll and learned about adjectives and nouns. In Maths, the children have compared two digit numbers identifying greater than, less than and equal to. In History, we used our knowledge of The Great Fire of London as a starting point to ask questions about the Fire of Nantwich: What caused the fire? How did it start? How far did it spread? How was it put out?

Amber class: Amber Class started a very busy week with a Forest Schools session where the children continued to experience what life was like during Neolithic times. We had our first (and very successful!) swimming lesson on Tuesday and look forward to these continuing throughout the Autumn term. Children have also enjoyed PE, Recorder, History & RE sessions. In English we have looked at the importance of prepositions and expanded noun phrases when describing settings and in maths we have continued our learning of place value.

Emerald class: This week Emerald Class have been working very hard in maths: rounding numbers to the nearest 10 and 100, counting in thousands and investigating the place value of 4 digit numbers. In English the class made predictions about our book, 'Gorilla,' and wrote about their first impressions. They also collected noun phrases with prepositions for a scene between Hannah and her father. We learned about the encounter that Mohammad had with God in R.E. and we investigated sounds around school to start our topic of sound in science. The children worked on using the term 'noise pollution' by writing letters of complaint to noisy family members. They also finished off their Victorian house painting in Art and went swimming for the first time with school!

Ruby class: This week in Ruby Class, the children have been consolidating their knowledge of place value - moving from 4-digit numbers to 5-digit numbers as well as checking our use of mathematical vocabulary. In English, we have been focusing on fronted adverbials and using these to up-level our letters to Barack Obama about his book 'Of Thee I Sing'. We have also been looking at the "Rebel Girls" and "Maya Angelou" in our Guided Reading sessions. In RE, we have been thinking about how Christians ought to care for the environment, and have been considering the thoughts in the works of prominent figures in Christianity such as St Francis of Assisi's Cantic of the Creatures and Pope Francis' 'Laudato Sí'. In PE, we have been developing our skills in rugby - namely, passing and evading - and have begun to put these into practice through tag rugby game scenarios. In Art, we have been practising four different methods of shading which will aid us in our portrait sketching next week. We have also been studying gravity and air resistance and thinking about the variables that would be involved in a parachute experiment (guess what's happening next week!)

Diamond class: In Diamond Class this week, we have been learning about how light travels. The children have learned some amazing facts about time travel and the speed of light! We have also been reading about evacuees during WW2 and have been writing a diary in role. The children who applied did a wonderful job presenting their speeches for some Year 6 roles despite some nerves, but everyone was very clear and engaging. Well done everyone!



Everyone!
You are all amazing shining stars.