

Cotsford Primary School
Summer 2 - Year 4



Blue Abyss

<i>Subject</i>	<i>Subject Summary</i>
<i>English</i>	<p>We enjoyed our warning story, <i>The Boat</i>, this half term. The children worked hard in groups to create actions to help them remember the story. We created story maps to make sure we remembered the plot fully. Then we worked on important skills in writing including inverted commas and using lots of description, and finally wrote our own warning stories!</p> <p>This half term we were also very lucky to have a visit from local author Kylie Dixon. She encouraged us to never give up on her dreams and told us the story of how she became an artist before finally being able to write her first children's book.</p>
<i>PSHE/SMSC/RRSA</i>	<p>Our topic this term was <i>Changing Me</i>. We discussed important changes in life that we can and can't control and how we can learn to overcome these changes.</p> <p>Rebecca from Place2Be visited us to talk about moving on and what it means to us. We discussed ways of coping with change.</p>
<i>Maths</i>	<p>This half term the children practised multiplying and dividing two and three-digit numbers. We made sure we used the correct method for each calculation.</p> <p>We also spent some time revisiting fractions including how to find a fraction of an amount and talking about the links between fractions and division.</p>
<i>D&T</i>	<p>We investigated floating and sinking this half term to learn more about electrical fan boats. We designed our own model too!</p>
<i>Geography</i>	<p>We enjoyed learning about the continents of the world this half term. The children also practised learning the names of the world's oceans and enjoyed using atlases to investigate more about the world.</p>
<i>Music</i>	<p>This half term we looked at lots of different styles of music. We enjoyed challenging ourselves to pick out different instruments and voices in lots of different songs. The children also really enjoyed having more opportunities to draw pictures and write about how they felt when they heard a piece of music. Playing the glockenspiel and singing back pieces of music we heard was our favourite!</p>
<i>Computing</i>	<p>The children have really enjoyed having a go at creating their own underwater scene using Scratch this half term. They have improved their skills for creating an algorithm and correcting mistakes to make it better.</p>
<i>MFL</i>	<p>Year 4 have excelled in Spanish this half term; they have learned the alphabet and developed their Spanish pronunciation and accent. They have enjoyed learning the different Spanish sounds and are beginning to spell using these, well done Year 4!</p>
<i>Science</i>	<p>Our topic this term was <i>Living Things</i>. The children learnt about classifying animals and plants into different groups and how this can help us to identify different species.</p>
<i>PE</i>	<p><i>On the Attack</i> - the children enjoyed exploring basketball skills in this game.</p> <p><i>Athletics</i> - we enjoyed our lessons with Joey from SAFC Foundation of Light where we practised important skills such as throwing, catching and sprinting.</p> <p>We enjoyed lots of different sports and activities to help us keep fit and healthy during Health Week.</p>