## Classroom News



Topic: Journeys Past and Present Class Name: Totnes Term: Summer 1

What we have been learning this term:

English: We have been developing our writing skills in English. Learning about the importance of conjunctions and punctuation in sentences.

Maths: We started the term by continuing to explore Measurements and the units we can use to measure. Then we looked at Money. One day, we worked as a class to sort, count and bag small change into sets of pounds. Now that's something you can take to the bank!

Drama: We have been using our acting skills and soundscapes to imagine up scenarios in places we might go and figure out what we would do. "Who could help us use the computers at the Library?", "What do I do at a recycling centre?" (Picture on right). We have already taken some of our skills out into the community, such as our trips to Newbury Library. The first visit went so well we decided to go again!

Cooking: We have been taking it in turns to be top chef this turn. Everyone has organised their own cooking session, finding a recipe, checking the cost, buying the ingredients, checking the utensils we need and leading the class in the kitchen. Despite these new challenges the first half of the class have all completed their dishes to share with the class. A very impressive feat!

**Science:** We have been exploring Rocks and other materials in Science. Finding out where different materials come from, observing the properties of those materials and finding out their uses.

**PE:** We have been practicing for the different events in the upcoming Sports Day. The participation and enthusiasm in each event has been great to see.

**Art:** We have finished our sculptures of figures in motion. (Right: see Harry's tiger sculptures)

Life skills: We have been finding our voices and appreciating our rights to Speak Out and Stay Safe. We have also been continuing to go to Tesco to buy our ingredients, appreciating our local area such as visiting Donnington Park. Written by

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Dates & Points to remember:

Monday June 5th - First day of Term 6 Monday 19th and Tuesday 20th June – Parent Consultations

Tuesday 20th June – School Photographs Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June – Secondary Sports Day Saturday 24th June – Castle Fest '23' (12pm-

Thursday 6th July – School Prom (Year 11's) Wednesday 19th July – End of Term 6