

## Year 6 – Spring Term One

The first half of spring term has been very busy for year six and we've all worked hard and tried to do our best.

These are some of our highlights.



### **Why is Brazil in the news again? – Geography -**

This half term we have been learning all about Brazil. We've been studying its geographical features as well as the cultural elements. The children have particularly enjoyed learning about carnival, where we have learned the RIO 2 Samba in PE, created the Samba music and designed our own carnival decorative masks in D&T. We will take this forward to link in with our Rainforests topic next half term.

**English** – Linking in with our geography topics we have been reading picture books that all share a similar message of 'looking after our planet'. The children have really enjoyed using the medium of picture books to write persuasive texts about recycling. The children held a very informed debate about whether putting recyclable items into the landfill wheelie bin should be a criminal offence or not. They then used this debate to fuel a letter to the Gazette about recycling. They were all VERY persuasive.

**Maths** – We've been doing lots on number this half-term building our confidence up and then applying it to reasoning activities. The children have enjoyed Fractions and Decimals this half-term and are loving that they are successful and having fun!

**Nissan Trip** –



### **Have we always looked like this? Science –**

We have had a good laugh learning about inheritance and evolution this half term. The children have found it very interesting understanding about where their physical features have come from. They've really enjoyed learning about Darwin's Theory of Evolution.

### **Linking with Nepal –**

This term has been really exciting. We were able to continue our link with Nepal and develop it further by creating a class video diary for the children in Nepal to show a day in the life of Whitburn VPS children. The children had a fab time creating a script and acting out their commentaries before filming themselves throughout their day. We look forward to seeing the final product that will be created by Linda and then presented to the children of Nepal during her next trip. We hope we'll get one back too.

### **Gardening –**

Linking in with our Geography and D&T objectives we have taken part in gardening this term. We were able to learn about growing our own foods and how in other countries this is also a source of income. We cooked garlic potatoes from resources grown in the garden on an open fire. The children loved trying something new – next half term we are going to make Brazilian Kale Curry!

### **Spring Term Two:**

- Geography: Why should the Rainforest be important to us all?
- Science: Could Spiderman really exist? (Living things and their habitats)
- English: looking at narrative and poetry using *The invention of Hugo Cabret by Brian Selznick*.
- Math: algebra, ratio and proportion, properties of shape.