

# Pearl Class Newsletter



We came back into Term 2 with a very busy, but exciting week.

On Tuesday, we had a whole day on science, learning about space and forces. The children experienced creating rockets and testing which rocket would be best and why. We started by making pencil sized rockets that we blew with a straw. The children had to change one variable about their rocket to see which one was best. In the afternoon, the children then used premade foam rockets and an elastic band to test the trajectory. They did this by pulling on the elastic band, lining up with a meter stick and protractor. The children seemed to have a great time and were able to explain what worked best.



The excitement continued on Wednesday when we started the day with an assembly from dog's trust. This then led to a session in the afternoon where the children learned all about how to be safe around dogs. Whether this was their own dog, or if they were to come across a dog in their day to day life.

In PE this term the children are doing basketball on a Wednesday and dance on Thursdays. In basketball this week, the children were learning how to handle a bigger sized ball - as they were using much smaller balls in tennis last term! In dance, the children have moved onto "Rubbish" and using music and movement to create a dance that could replicate the recycling process.

In English, the children are writing diary entries as if they were Christine Darden. First of all, the children recalled why Christine was important. We then moved on to watching Neil Armstrong and why he was famous. The children were then tasked with writing as if they were Christine on the day that Neil first stepped on the moon.

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**PE** - will take place on Wednesday mornings and Thursday afternoons. Please ensure your child is wearing a PE kit in school on these days - thank you.

**Spellings** - this will no longer be set to test. Instead your child will bring home a spelling book, which will show you what words and rules we have been learning each week.

**Reading** - Children can read independently, however please sign their reading record so we know they have read at home.

**Mathletics** - Will be set online on Friday for your child to complete the following week.

**TTRS** - Please support your child with their times tables by logging on and letting the children complete different challenges.