



Year 5 Newsletter

26 April 2013

It was wonderful to see the children confidently displaying their swimming skills at the Swimming Gala on Friday. They thoroughly enjoyed all of their events and appreciated your support from the stands.





Literacy

Inside the classroom, 5WBR learners have been practising including lots of detail in their narrative writing to create longer and more interesting stories. They are experimenting with new vocabulary during this process. The current spelling lists are related to their guided readers, and they are encouraged to try hard to manipulate these new words and use them in their speaking and writing.

5LSO have been continuing with their poetry projects and learning about and writing Haikus and Sonnets. They especially enjoyed a week devoted to performance poetry culminating in some wonderful performances given to children from Nursery to Year 9. View our class **blog** for more photographs.

Mathematics

In 5WBR, the learners have been working in small groups to solve some more challenging questions. A great place to find puzzling questions is <http://nrich.maths.org/frontpage>. This website has a range of mathematical investigations that your child can explore. The learners have also learnt to create spreadsheets and enter data and formulae to solve problems.

In 5LSO, learners have been exploring the concept of bartering and pre-money trading. This has seen the learners playing games that have involved them bartering goods and services. They created their own survival card game in pairs, which they played with others in their class.

Reminders:

1 May	Labour Day (school closed)
4 May	NISS Beach clean-up
21 May	Field Trip Art House Film Festival
24 May	Vesak Day (school closed)
29 May	UWC Exhibition visit
7 June	Years 3- 6 Production

The CCA programme has now finished for the year.