



Englefield CE Primary School



In January, the children returned well-rested after an enjoyable holiday. Our Year 5/6 pupils were given an informative, educational and interesting workshop about the dangers of smoking. They got fully involved in the session and learned some grizzly facts about health issues related to smoking. The information was put across in a fun way but the serious meaning wasn't lost. This workshop was funded by West Berkshire Local Authority.

A big thank you to the PTA, who have recently bought us some great new book sets for guided reading in Key Stage 2. The children are avidly reading their way through them at a rate of knots!

We had a 'snow day' on Friday 1st February when it was too treacherous to ask people to drive into school. The children all made the most of the time at home building snowmen, having snowball fights and over-dosing on hot chocolate!



A total of eight children from Year 4 and Year 5 went to the St Gabriel's School maths challenge in Newbury. They had a wonderful afternoon of maths puzzling and really tested their maths knowledge. It is so important for children at small rural schools to be given these opportunities to meet up with, and work alongside, those from larger schools.



Two teams entered a ten pin bowling competition at Lakeside in Thatcham. They challenged themselves to improve on their scores and had a great time. Thank you to the West Berkshire School Sports Network for organising this.



During the half term break, Angel Sports ran their holiday club at the school. This has become a popular activity for many of our pupils and is open to other local children too. Please contact the school office for more details.

On Pancake Day the KS1 children made delicious pancakes whilst the KS2 pupils held pancake races and challenged themselves to improve the number or pancake tosses they could do in a minute.

Book Week was a big success with everyone writing their own poem to go into a school anthology. We also had a poetry reading competition with the four winners receiving poetry books as prizes. Thank you to local writer, Nick Parker, for giving each class a stimulating workshop based around poetry.

We are all looking forward to the annual Englefield Village Fete and Flower Show which will be on Saturday 13th July from 2pm...please put it in your diary. We hope to see many of you at the fete enjoying the fun. Please remember that you are always welcome to contact the school (930 2337) if you would like to come in to help in any way.