



Sports and Olympics



Sharing

Another amazing Sharing Event to complete our whole school topic! On **Tuesday 19th July 2016** we started a very warm morning in the relative coolness of the hall to hear two outstanding musical performances from Year 4 and Year 6.

Both classes took the theme of the Brazilian Olympics in different directions. **Year 4** took us to the Brazilian rainforests with a mesmerising musical experience that reflected some of the many creatures and sounds to be heard deep in the jungle. The whole composition layered groups of instruments as the rainforest woke up, with a crescendo finish.



Year 6 took the theme of Brazilian samba and celebration. The same instruments with a completely different feel. Starting with a rhythmic drum ostinato, each group of instruments joined in, layering timbres and rhythms. They showed how repeating phrases in their mind or our loud

to help sustain their rhythm patterns. A fantastic, effective, celebration of sound. Well done to both classes.



Reception Class and Year 2 had a Design and Technology theme with the youngest pupils proudly sharing their blow football games. The experts were able to explain how they made each part of the game, including a ball made of paper! The room was a hive of activity and even included a table football game as the centre piece. Visitors were invited to dress in football kits and show their skills.



Year 2 shared their teddy tabard designs inspired by Olympic sports kits. They showed the process from the design stage through to making paper patterns, using fabric and finishing touches. Visitors could practise the skills needed for this project: measuring accurately and cutting

carefully with scissors. Some even designed their own sports kits based on the flags of competing countries.



Geography was the theme in **Year 1** as the children shared their knowledge of the world using maps and atlases. They showed visitors how to find places on the Isle of Struay and also shared their knowledge of the continents of the world. Building an Olympic village using lego was also very popular with visitors.



The exhibitions in **Classes 3 and 5** were full of Ancient History. **Year 3** had been learning all about how the Romans spent their leisure time and demonstrated their knowledge in a quiz. Visitors were then treated to a demonstration of one of the activities the Ancient Romans did best - the Roman fighting machine. The class worked together to show soldiers in action showing their fighting and defensive formations including "the tortoise".



Finally, in **Year 5**, the class experts enthusiastically shared their learning about many aspects of Ancient Greek life and leisure. They explained that the Olympic Games were a legacy of the Ancient Greeks. We learned that there were quite a few differences between the modern and ancient Olympics but the spirit of the games continues.

Well done to all Classes for all their hard work, enthusiasm over the term and for making our last sharing event of the year a huge success. Now we are all ready to follow and enjoy the Olympic Games from Brazil when they open in August.

