

Community Skills Sharing: November 2019

Pupils and staff met in the hall on **Friday 8th November 2019** for our Skills Share event to celebrate our learning during our Community whole school topic.

As the children prepared to meet their “skills share” partner, they were challenged to answer three key questions at the end of the event:

What have I learned today?

What have I learned about God today?

What have I learned about myself today?

This was the first whole class skills share for **Year 1** who were partnered with **Year 2** pupils. It was lovely to see the evidence of progression in skills with Year 1 showing how to draw a simple map and Year 2 pupils explaining how to read digital maps with the challenge of identifying features of our school and thinking about where litter bins could be placed to help keep our community tidy. The older pupils supported Year 1 very well by asking questions.



Year 3 and **Year 4** met to share their Geography learning with Year 3 explaining how an atlas can give information about the weather in different parts of the UK. They taught Year 4 how to read different kinds of charts and quizzed them about the places that have the most rain. Year 4 showed their partners a map with basic geographical features and asked them to choose the best places to make a settlement. Water supply, fuel, food, transport...there were so many needs to consider.



Year 5 and **Year 6** are very experienced at this type of sharing and they approached the event with confidence and enthusiasm. Year 5 talked about the very topical issue of climate change and helped Year 6 to sort factors and consider the causes and effects. There were some serious conversations about the impact of humans on the environment. Year 6 taught Year 5 how to locate places using 6 figure grid references which was a step up from the younger pupils' experience of 4 figure references.



Another exciting and purposeful sharing event. There was lots of evidence of shared learning and building on learning from previous years. The interactions between pupils, enthusiasm and enjoyment was wonderful to see. The challenging key questions set at the beginning of the sharing, were explored with very thoughtful responses.

Well done everyone for your hard work.