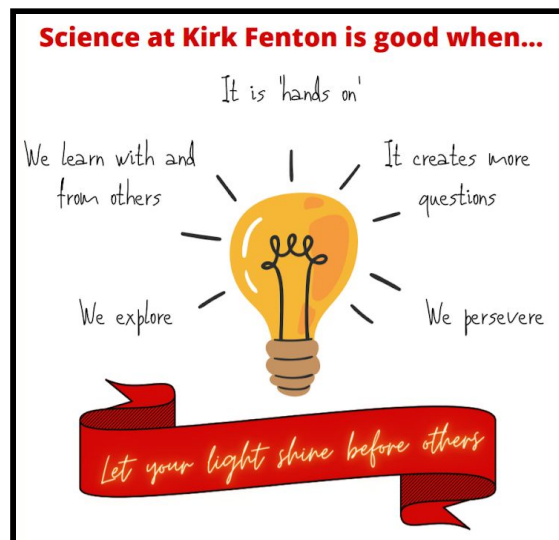


British Science Week Newsletter

Worm charming, kite flying, bubble blowing, tea bag testing, soil researching, rocket racing and dinosaur footprint measuring. We have warmly welcomed back all of our children with a week full of fantastic, hands-on science activities in celebration of British Science Week. The school has once again felt the “buzz” of full classes engaged in their learning with plenty of time for children to finally work and play with their friends.

Despite the challenging circumstances over the past twelve months, dedicated staff have committed countless hours to science teaching and learning as well as professional development from the Royal Society of Chemistry and Primary Science Teaching Trust. We have improved the quantity and quality of science resources, including generous book donations from parents through the Friends of Kirk Fenton, and passion for the subject across school continues to grow.

Our focus in science is driven by a new vision and principles, launched in the autumn term, which we try to encompass in all of our lessons.



We have a new whole-school partnership with Farmer Adam, a salad farmer in Leicestershire, through the Farmer Time initiative (<https://leafuk.org/farmertime/home>). He will be meeting classes through Google Meet to share his farming journey and to give each class an opportunity to ask questions linked to their learning. This week Jupiter Class found out lots about soil composition and preparation for crop drilling.

Encouragingly, we know from parent comments that children have been sharing their excitement about science at home this week. To continue the fun at home, here are some recommended websites to explore together:

<https://www.whizzpopbang.com/>

This subscription magazine is popular amongst many of our children. Their website includes a ‘lockdown science’ area with plenty of free and fun ideas to do at home.

<https://wowscience.co.uk/>

A wide selection of practical activities and videos linked to specific topics in the primary science curriculum.

<https://www.stem.org.uk/home-learning/primary>

Activities incorporating science, maths, computing and D&T with recommended ages.

<https://www.science-sparks.com/>

Easy to do at home activities for primary, EYFS and even preschool children.

