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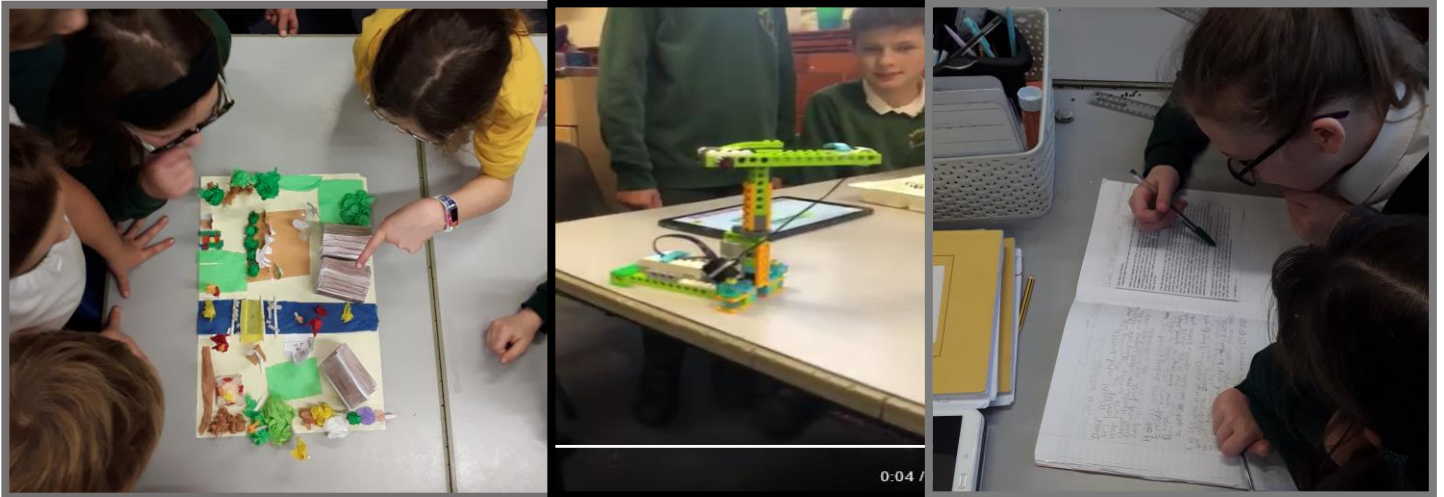
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To all Parents/Carers,

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Loads of examples this week of children working in partners or small groups to achieve a shared goal!

On the left, our Y3 children designing and making their own Viking Village using various materials. They are really enjoying this topic and the end results are amazing! But it does require a lot of teamwork and compromise!

In the middle, Y6 have been using the new Lego We.Do Kits to create working cranes with a pulley – ably assisted by our Digital Leaders. In case you missed it, Markeaton currently has a team of Digital Leaders who have been trained to support children and staff with any new hardware or software in school. For example, in Y1, our Digital Leaders have been helping the younger children to save their work on a web based platform called SeeSaw. It is basically an online folder for all the children's work and it provides a really easy alternative to what we currently use. Indeed, Miss Herriman did a fantastic staff meeting the other day showcasing lots of other exciting apps and websites which we are hoping to use in lessons. Kahoot.com is definitely a favourite at the moment!

On the right, two children in Y5 reading a piece of writing together and working to identify how it could be improved. Editing is such a huge part of the writing process and the children love nothing more than getting their green pen out and making it better!

In other news, next Thursday is our Connecting Classrooms day. Mrs Beddington, Miss Hughes and Miss Gaskin have created a special day for all the children and staff centred around Tanzania and our partner school Living Hope Primary. I have just taken a look at the timetable and I can see Penpal letter writing, African Drumming and lots of art based activities. Look out for Twitter for more updates!

And finally, it appears Wednesday after school was particularly bad on Bromley St with cars; with one parent saying that she has had to report a driver to the police for their behaviour. Please be considerate at drop off and pick up times as it is getting particularly dangerous out there. We have contacted the community support officer and the council for support but we do need your help to make things better.

Have a good weekend,
Mr I. Johnson