



M11-Comenius

Reading and books

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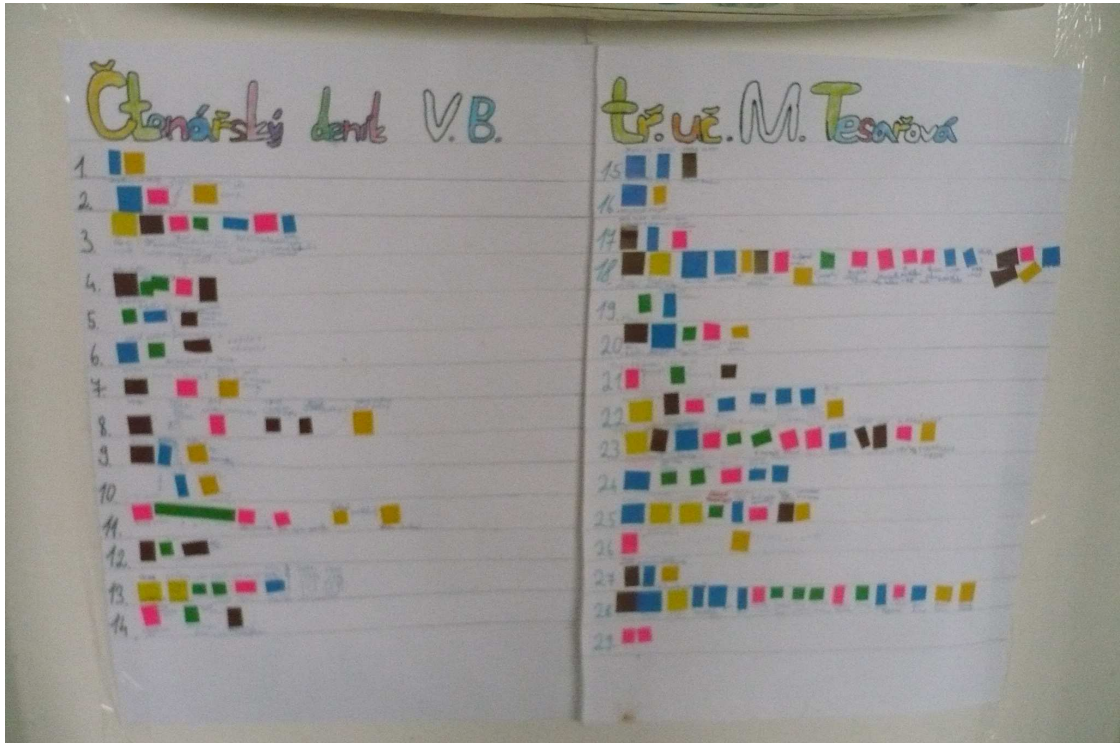
During the whole school year we have been working on our Reading project altogether with our teachers and parents. The youngest pupils made their own stories and fairy tales, they wrote their reader's diaries, read the books with their parents and discussed about importance of reading books. The older students tried to explain in English their relation to reading and describe their reading habits. We also met with an English fairy tales writer, Mrs. Hilary Robinson from Leeds and we spoke about reading and writing books.













Reading in Valley View Community Primary School

At Valley View children start to be taught how to read in reception [the first year of school, 4-5 year olds] and then practise all the way through school.

Reading in Reception

In reception the children start to learn how to read by sounding out words. This is called phonics. This then helps the children spell and say words. Then, later in the year, they start to be able to write sentences with capital letters, finger spaces and full stops. Also later in the year, they bring home books that the child has to read to a parent or a guardian, then bring them back to school to collect a different book.

Reading in Year 1

In Year One, children are have more advanced books to read with longer, trickier words and more pages. They take books home too.

Reading in Year 2

In Year Two, the children start to read more non-fiction books. Like Reception and Year One, they also take books home but they take more non-fiction books.

Reading in Year 3

Year 3 is the start of Key Stage 2 so the books become harder and pupils only have a short time in which you have to return the book. Every week along with homework, they have a week to read and bring back the book.

Reading in Year 4

Year 4 is more based on writing reviews about the book. Everyone is split into groups graded to their abilities and read lengthier books to get to the next group and progress in their reading.

Reading in Year 5

In Year 5, the children read a much bigger range of books. They learn what different texts mean and write some of their own. Some children get a chance to go to the Leeds Book Awards where they have an amount of time in which to read some books that were shortlisted for awards and at the end they go to Leeds City Centre with children from different schools. Then they vote for the best book and the winner is selected.

Reading in Year 6

In Year 6 they focus more on getting ready for SAT's [important tests] and high school. They write some stories themselves and read them smaller pupils.

In school we have many libraries where you can get a reading book. Also a Library bus comes to school every Thursday and the children have fifteen minutes to return books and choose new books to take home.