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Archery has been an excellent and exciting way for the children to use their Maths skills. Throughout Archery lessons, they enjoy totalling up their scores either mentally, using a whiteboard to help, individually or in pairs and small groups. Along with adding to their Maths skills, archery also helps improve hand-eye co-ordination, the ability to aim and the confidence in the child.

Target fun

Target fun is used in Reception. This is used to help the children start to aim. It is taught in a fun way by using large targets on the floor and bean bags to aim and throw. This is brilliant for the children to use their Mental Maths skills to add up their scores.



Soft Archery

At Greenbank, soft archery is mainly used in Year 1 and Year 2. This equipment helps get the children used to simple archery techniques. Here the children begin to learn safety, rules and the layout of an archery field, both indoors and outdoors. The targets are set relatively close to the children to enable easier achievement. They then get the opportunity to progress with this when they begin their 'real' archery sessions in Key Stage 2.



Real Archery

Real Archery is used from Year 3 upwards. They gain knowledge on the equipment and, most importantly, safety. This is usually carried out on the school field but can also be used in the gym with a safety net. To progress different technique are the children further, tar gets are moved further away to increase the shooting distance and taught for aiming.



Gifted and Talented Archery

We have recently started a 'gifted and talented' programme with select children from Year 4 and Year 5 that have shown lots of potential. By doing this, we hope to start an archery team to eventually compete against other schools. This programme includes extra tuition to work on other techniques to help improve previous skills. We also play some fun and exciting archery games to test our new skills!