



## Yr 6 Business Project : Maths Café

The Y6 class organised a Math Café for the last afternoon of the Maths Week, as the school was opening its doors to parents and friends to enable them to come and see what we had all been up to during Maths Week. This was our business project for the cluster based initiative, where Y6 were given £100 to use in a business project of their choice.

A team of 6 business managers were selected, with a focus on developing the leadership skills of our G&T group. They planned each aspect of the project, splitting into smaller teams to focus on one or two aspects in particular, but with regular meeting to up-date on progress. They covered planning food and drink for the café; shopping for ingredients for cake-baking; organising the whole class into working parties to bake, decorate, make menus and table decorations and be waiters on the day; and advertising the café around the school so parents were well-informed about it.



The Café was a huge success, customer numbers were far higher than expected, we ran out of seating in the hall, cakes and biscuits sold out, and a very healthy profit was made. The class have recently decided to use the money made to purchase a camcorder for the school.



Overall, the week was exhausting, frantically busy, but a fantastic success! The children, and their parents, got loads out of it, the children definitely think Maths is fun, and are also far more aware of the importance of Maths in everyday life. We realised, as teachers that we need to work much harder to develop the children's using and applying skills, so have taken action to address that for the new school year. The key to success for us was detailed planning and organisation, team-work, being prepared to take a few risks, and lots of energy!

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