

Dear Parents

Another busy week in school, where does the time fly? There has been lots of Art and Design Technology learning going on around school this week which has been lovely to see, from building fire engines with working wheels in Caracara class, making mosaics in Falcon class and the detailed work of making sails for their Endurance ship models in Meadowlark Class. The attention to detail has been lovely to see and there are some amazing finished products emerging.

The value for February is 'co-operation' and we are looking at how it is important to work as a team to achieve things.



EYFS:

This week in EYFS we have had a fruit themed week. We read the story 'Oliver's Fruit Salad' and prepared our own fruit salad, we made patterns using fruit, weighed fruit, painted large fruit paintings and have written about different types of fruit. We also enjoyed the wet weather and splashed in muddy puddles!



Caracara Class:

In Caracara class the Great Fire of London is nearing a close. This week we have thought about the lessons learned from the G.F. of L. and how this impacted the rebuilding of the city. We found out that Sir Christopher Wren was an important person during this time. In D.T. the children have been busy making fire engines focusing on wheels and axles.



Falcon Class:

This week in science the children have learned about the weathering process. They looked at gravestones from Stanley and discussed why some had the engravings worn away and what might have caused it, before having a go at weathering some rocks themselves. They have also learned about how weathering is different to erosion. In maths Year 4 have moved onto equivalent fractions and year 3 are subtracting amounts of money using column subtraction. English has seen some beautiful descriptive writing where the children have used all of their learning this term to produce some really exciting Pompeii diary entries. In history the children are learning about one of Britain's most famous heroines, Boudicca and how she led a revolt against the Roman occupation. The children have also started to create their mosaic designs in Art and are having to learn about how patient and accurate the artists needed to be! Science club this week focussed on water. The children learned how flowers absorb water by making water walk from cup to cup. They also discovered that due to refraction of light, they could make a coloured picture appear black and white just like magic.



Meadowlark Class:

---This week has been super, for example we finished writing our newspaper reports on Ernest Shackleton. I enjoy it to use up-levelled words to describe something. Maths has also been really interesting; we learnt about percentages which can sometimes be a little bit tricky. My favourite part of the week was when we started learning about the Ancient Greeks.

Rebecca D



This week was amazing. We started to learn about Ancient Greece in History and soon we will be learning more about their scary myths. In Maths we have been learning about converting fractions to percentages and how to find the percentages of amounts. Can you work out 60% of 120?

Charlie D





Diary Dates

- Friday 4th February - Whole School Forest School
- Friday 11th February - Whole School Forest School
- Friday 11th February - School closes at 1505 for half term.
- Monday 21st February - School starts for children.
- **Thursday 3rd March-World Book day, dress as your favourite book character**
- Wednesday 9th March - Parent Evening Consultations 1515-1715
- Thursday 10th March - Parent Evening Consultations 1515-1800
- Friday 25th March - 1400 Event to showcase learning all parents of children in Y1 to Y6 invited
- Thursday 31st March - School finishes For Easter at 1300
- Tuesday 19th April - School starts for children
- Throughout May - Year 2 assessments
- Week 9th May - KS2 SATS
- Friday 27th May - An early school Queens Platinum Jubilee event details to be decided
- Friday 27th May - School finishes at 1505 for half term
- Monday 30th May to 4th June - Half Term
- Monday 6th June - Additional public holiday - No school for children
- Week 7th June - Year 1 phonics screening
- 14th June - Liberation Day - whole school event to be decided
- Friday 24th June - Fixmas Eve event in school - details to follow
- Monday 11th July - Reports out to parents
- Thursday 21st July - School finishes at 1300

We hope you all enjoyable a pleasant weekend.
~ From everyone at Mount Pleasant School ~