

# Mount Pleasant Extra!

Newsletter 27th May 2022

## **Dear Parents**

This week the school has been a hive of activity as we prepare to host the community Queen's Platinum Jubilee Event and design and make our entries for the Commonwealth Baton competition. We are now better at remembering the second verse of the National Anthem and remembering the steps for our dancing, all of which we hope you enjoy this afternoon.

I think we are now all ready for a well earned break and we hope that everyone returns fully recovered. Further photos of our Jubilee celebrations to be shared after the break.

### In EYFS: This week has had a Jubilee focus.

We have been using the colours red, white and blue to make patterns, sort pom poms and draw the Union Jack flag. In the role play area we have prepared a party for the Queen. In Literacy, we have all listened to the story 'Paddington at the Palace'. FS2 children have been able to act out the story, use their phonics to describe the quards, sequence the story and write about each part of the story.















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In Caracara Class: Caracara Class have been busy preparing for the Jubilee Party this week. They have been learning about chronology (time lines) in History and ordered key events successfully.

Congratulations need to go to our Year 2s who have worked extremely hard this week in their Year 2 SATs. Well done, we are all very proud of you.



### In Falcon Class:

Finally, we have had a complete class this week and everyone is back from illness, feeling refreshed which has been wonderful. We have had a busy week preparing for the Queen's Jubilee, making our

crowns and tablemats as well as completing our lovely competition entry posters based on countries of the Commonwealth. The children have put a



lot of effort into their designs and it has been lovely to see the range of countries chosen. The children have also completed their electricity learning for the term, by making a working circuit without using any wires at all. The children had to investigate which materials were conductors and which were insulators before choosing the best one to use in their circuit. We

have also enjoyed our music lesson this week where we had to play a salsa beat on our drums. It turned out to be a very tuneful but very noisy session with some of the drums feeling a little bruised from enthusiasm. We have also said a final farewell to James Hart who is returning to England to join a lovely new school. We will miss you James and it has been a pleasure having you as a member of Falcon's Class. We all wish you a safe journey. Have a lovely half-term holiday everyone from all of us

#### In Meadowlark Class:

We've had another week, full of fun and excitement in Year 5 & 6 Meadowlark. We have been preparing for the Queens Jubilee celebrations by making crowns, competition posters about the Commonwealth and learning interesting facts about Queen Elizabeth II.

In Maths for Year 5 - we learnt about the features of various different polygons like a rhombus, trapezium and parallelogram. Our Year 6's are still busy with their end of year Maths project, planning their ultimate overseas holiday on a budget, using a variety of different sources like Airbnb, Skyscanner and other different booking sites.

To conclude this half -term, I would like to thank the Year 6 parents for supporting and helping to prepare their children for SATs earlier this term. I know a lot of work went on behind the scenes and it wasn't always easy!



I would also like to say a sad farewell to William and Charlie 5 - all the best in the future and enjoy the UK; your cheeky smiles and wacky Falkland tales will be missed!

Have a lovely, relaxed half-term break and hopefully we'll get some snow in the coming days to enjoy.

Mr Blom

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### Leaver's:

This week we said a fond farewell to a number of children who have been at MPS for a considerable time. It is definitely the end of an era! We wish William, James and Charlie S all the very best for their new adventures back in the UK. We will truly miss you and hope you keep in touch.

We also said goodbye to Sharon Hart who has worked at MPS in EYFS and most recently lower Key Stage 2. Her enthusiasm, dedication and willingness to tackle anything will be sorely missed. Thank you for all you have done for the children at MPS.

## The Queen's Commonwealth Baton Relay BFSAI Event 6th June 2022:

Although not a school day we are excited to be supporting this event and will be arranging transport for children in FS2 - Year 6 who wish to attend. Please can you let the school office know if your children are able to attend. Please can children wear school uniform and be at the entrance to the school with coats at 1615.

For those of you with children in the Nursery and FS1 we do hope that parents will be able to attend with their children and meet us up in the Hangar. The nature of this event means that there will be some time spent standing waiting with the rest of the community.





- 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

- Monday 6th June 16:15 children in FS2- Year 6 to meet at entrance to school to travel to Timmy's Hangar for BFSAI Queen's Commonwealth Baton Relay Event
- Week 7th June Year 1 phonics screening
- 10th June Royal Marine Band to Visit School
- 14th June Liberation Day MPS will join the events in Stanley
- Friday 24th June Fixmas Eve event in school details to follow
- Monday 11th July Reports out to parents
- Thursday 14th July Nursery & FS1 Sports afternoon, 1430 in hall
- Thursday 21st July School finishes at 1300
- Monday 29th August New School Year starts for children

Enjoy the winter half term break and the Queen's Jubilee celebrations from all at MPS