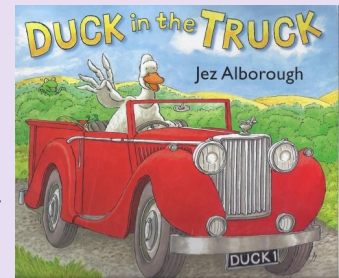


Dear parents

Another great week here at MPS, with some amazing learning going on. I am delighted with the progress children are making and the enthusiasm they are displaying for their new topics this term. Who would have thought that 'The First Railways' would be such an inspiring topic for Falcon class!

It was lovely to be able to take the children from KS1 and KS2, to wave off Cdre Jonathan Lett this morning and to wish him a fond farewell.



Plover Class

The children in nursery had a fun-filled and busy week doing plenty of activities around the book called 'Duck in the Truck'. They played with animals in the mud and made cool stick collages!



Albatross Class;

This week in Albatross, we have been using the text 'Oliver's Fruit Salad' to help support our learning.

We have been discussing the names of different fruits and saying whether we liked or disliked the fruit. We made a tally to see which fruit was the most popular. We made two different fruit salads this week, practising our cutting skills and washing up. We have also had a go at peeling some fruit and vegetables. Using a peeler was not easy but we all persevered.



In literacy, FS2 have been writing about how to prepare different fruit and vegetables.

All FS1, children are now taking a weekly reading book home, in preparation for starting in school in September.



Caracara Class::

This week the children of Caracara class would like to share with you what they have enjoyed learning.

I enjoyed writing the persuasive letter. Henri

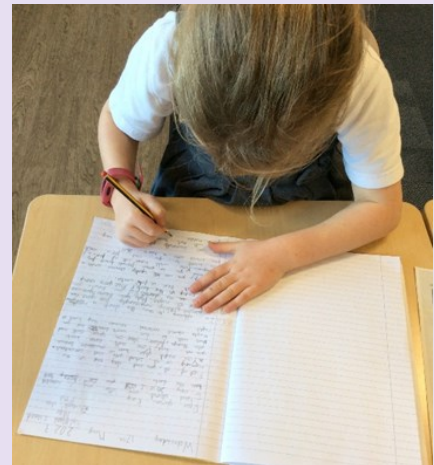
I loved drawing my picture. Arnie

I like the coronation poster! Freya

I like writing to the king about why the dark is good. Alfie



I liked writing my persuasive letter. I liked drawing my picture of the things that happened in the U.K. when is was the King's Coronation. Willow



I enjoyed doing fractions in maths. I found $\frac{3}{4}$ the hardest. Minnie

I liked writing my letter because we were writing why the dark was good and the light was bad from a story. Crisha

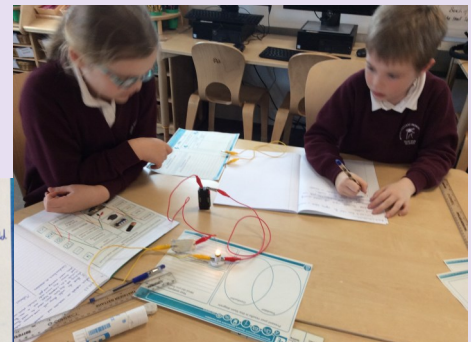
Falcon Class:

What a busy week we have had in Falcons! In science the children have carried out a fun experiment to find out the properties of materials which insulate or conduct electricity. They did this by creating a simple series circuit, checking the components were working before adding in another item and checking to see if the circuit was complete or incomplete. They discovered that metallic objects were the best at conducting electricity.

In English, the children have completed their invention narratives which are marvellous and include useful objects such as a pill that helps you breathe underwater, a teleporter, a suction suit to help climbers and a rocket man suit to help firefighters.

In maths, the children have been adding and subtracting amounts of money and converting between pounds and pence.

In history, the children have compared some of the most famous steam engines, the Rocket, the Flying Scotsman, the Mallard and the Evening Star, looking at their designs, use and history of service on the railways.

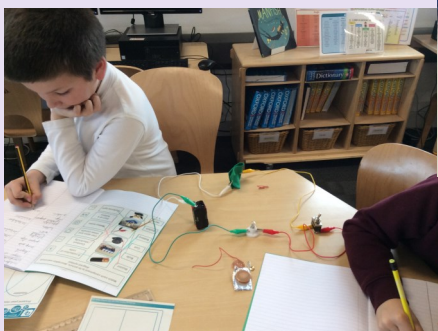


Ocean lover

"Earth so quiet, Earth so quiet!" My older sister Hannah would say. And it was true. I'd always stuck my head in the water and I have always done it. In fact, once I fell asleep in a hot bath, dreaming about the ocean, and I got grounded for two weeks! Anyway, I've always wondered: it's such an extraordinary world down there, well, I've always loved the ocean, all those clouds of pink, blue, purple, gold and orange. They're like smudges of paint on canvas. As a child, I would sit on the shoreline, gazing at the waves as they lap over the sandy bay, dreaming of exploring the ocean floor.

A few years later, my head with the ocean green. People laughed and giggled at me, but I carried on. I asked my big questions, questions I couldn't answer until the end. Is there a way I can unlock the door to green-land? How could I dive so deep? How can I fulfil things none has ever achieved before? A bud of inspiration began to blossom in my mind.

A pill! I need a pill! A pill to help me breathe, see and stop my ears popping underwater! If the gods haven't



Meadowlark Class:

In maths this week, we studied the properties and made a variety of 3D shapes.

In English, we edited our survival guides, ensuring that we use a range of features e.g. technical language, imperative sentences and fronted adverbials.

In science, we carried out an experiment to test the solubility of various substances, including nutmeg, ground ginger, salt, sugar, flour and soil.

In history, we had the exciting task to act as curators of a museum and had to choose 3 Mayan archaeological sites to preserve and give reasons why.



Quiz Night: Please note the Change of Date to **31st May 2023**

Burger & Quiz Party!

The children of Mount Pleasant School invite you to help them raise money for the British Red Cross Turkey/Syria Earthquake Appeal.

On the menu:

- Enjoy a delicious burger in a bun.
- Tasty sausage sandwich.
- ☺️ Yummy veggie sausage. ☺️
- Soft drinks.
- Team quiz with prizes!

Suggested donation: £5 per person!

When: Wednesday 31st May 2023 at 17:00

Where: School Hall

We look forward to you joining us for a fun evening!

Event is for children in FS2 to Y6, family and friends; a creche will be provided for younger children too.

RSVP: dave.crofts@modschools.org



Mount Pleasant Extra!

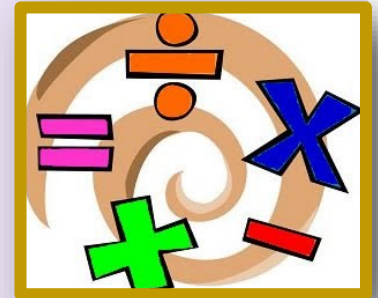
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Maths Parent Workshop Thursday 25th May (Caracara, Falcon and Meadowlark Classes)

If you have ever wanted to know how your child/ren are taught maths then please join us on Thursday 25th May at 0845-1000.

This session is of value even if you are moving from MPS at the end of the year as many UK schools use White Rose Maths.

Mr Blom will begin the session by explaining maths mastery and our calculation policy which is based on White Rose Maths and then you will have the chance to join your child in class. These sessions are not suitable for swapping over half way through, therefore if you have children in more than one class it would be great if both parents can attend.



Leaving MPS: Remember to inform the school

With so many families leaving at the end of this year, and the need to plan a series of leaving assemblies, please can you inform the school office as soon as possible of actual leaving dates? We will space assemblies out throughout the last half term.

Dates for your Diary

- Thursday 25th May - Rearranged KS1 and KS2 Parents Maths Workshop
- Thursday 1st June - Nursery and EYFS Sports afternoon 1415 in the school hall (For All children who attended Nursery, FS1 and FS2 and their families can come along to join us even if not booked in for a session that afternoon)
- *Wednesday 31st May 1700-1800- Family Quiz in aid of Turkey and Syria Earthquake Appeal *
- Monday 5th June - Friday 9th June - Half term
- Wednesday 21st June - Mixed art day with IJS
- Thursday 20th July - School finishes for the year at 1300



Please note the key dates for 2023-24 are available on our website

Wishing everyone an enjoyable weekend of adventure from all at MPS