

Dear Parents

It has been great to see the children excited and involved with the art project with Stanley Infant and Junior School (IJS) this week, either by TEAMS or with the children down at IJS. Each class has been exploring a different art movement

Albatross Class - Abstract

Caracara Class- Pointillism

Falcon Class - Pop Art

Meadowlark Class - Surrealism

All the work will be displayed at the Susan Whitley Exhibition held at IJS on Wednesday 5th July from 1700. It would be lovely to see as many of you as possible down town to see the children's work in this exhibition

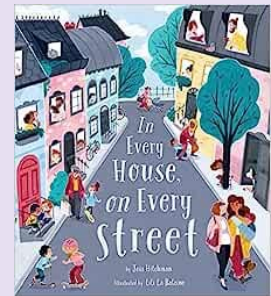
Today we held the first of our many Leavers Assemblies, where we said goodbye to Lottie and Emily. The girls were so confident, talking to the whole school and remembering so well. They made us all proud. Good luck girls in your next adventure.

Plover Class

This week in Plovers our focus was on houses and homes. Our text of the week was: 'In every house on every street' by Jess Hitchman. We looked at different houses and homes and talked about our favourite rooms in our houses.

The children loved doing art activities around this theme and talking about their bedrooms and playrooms in particular.

They enjoyed going to the hall this week - we incorporated activities using balls, hula hoops, balance beams and beanbags into our learning.



Albatross Class:

This week in Albatross

In maths FS1 have been investigating the language of number by counting a quantity. FS2 have been sharing a quantity.

In literacy FS1 have been learning all about the letter 't'. FS2 have been writing about poems in the book 'A First Book of the Sea'.



We had a very creative day on Wednesday, where we were discussing abstract art and exploring how to change the colour of different paints. We created different shades of blue and green. We painted abstract Falklands seascapes. We also painted our starfish in bright colours.

In the sand tray we have investigated making sandcastles. We used dry sand, very wet sand and sand that has had just a little water added to it to find out which type of sand is best for sandcastle building.



Caracara Class:

This week the Caracara Class went down to IJS to work on a collaborative art piece for the Susan Whitley Exhibition. They had a lovely time working with other children and being in a larger school environment. The children and staff were very welcoming. We focused on the Pointillism art movement and used different media to create our images. At lunchtime, we were able to use the school's gym equipment which was great fun!



Meadowlark Class:

In English this week, we had to highlight the features of a balanced argument whilst debating if dolphins should be kept in 'dolphinariums'.

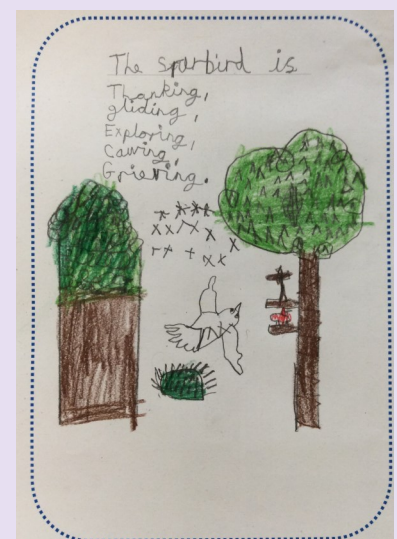
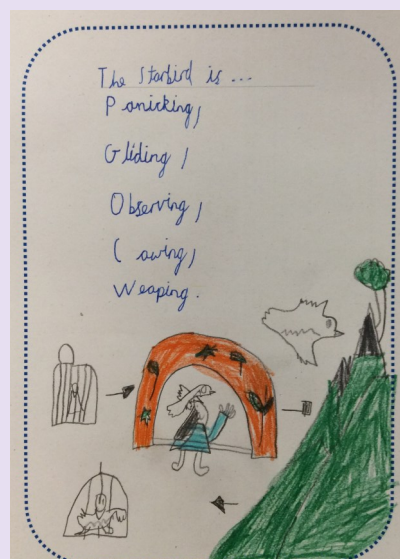
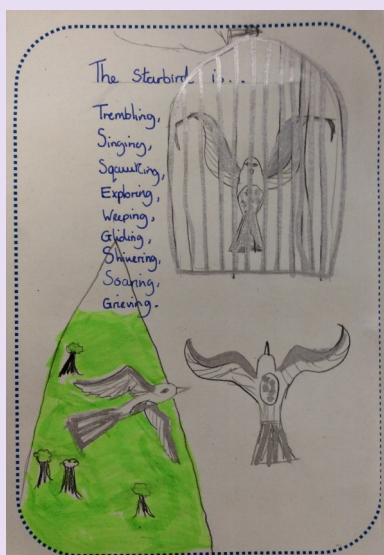
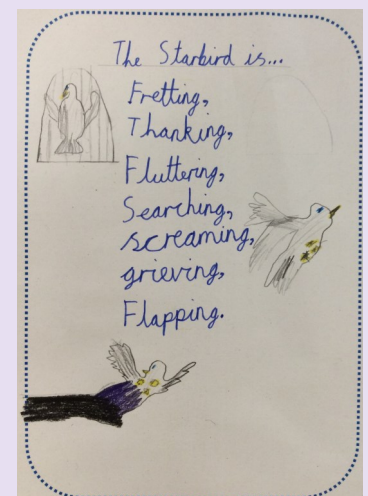
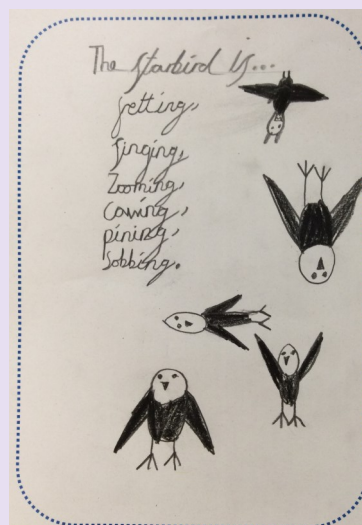
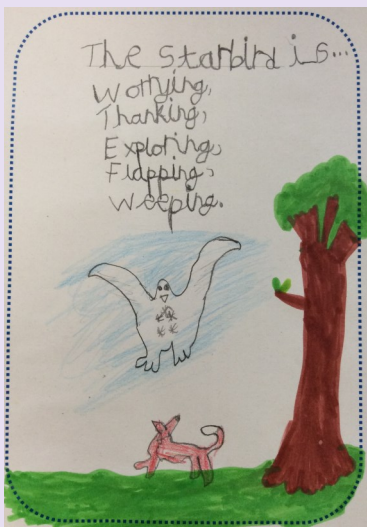
In maths, the Year 5's have been doing revision of long division with decimals, adding fractions, translation and reflection.

We were also fortunate enough this week to join forces with IJS to take part in their Art day. We looked at the surrealism art movement and had to create art work in the style of Rene Magritte.



Falcon Class:

In Falcons this week, we have been reading a book called Starbird. It is all about a bird who is captured by the Moon King. We discussed the emotions of the bird throughout the story and then we had to come up with some verbs to describe the actions of the bird itself. We used these words to write our very own 'List Poems' to explain parts of the story...



MPS Mid Winter Fair - Monday 26th June 1430:

All classes at MPS, have been given a notional budget of £25 and asked to make items to sell at our Mid Winter Fixmas Fair which is part of our money awareness and business initiative. The costs of resources used to make items, is to be deducted from each classes profits with the class making the most profit receiving a reward.



Don't forget to join us on Monday 26th June at 14:30 in the school hall, to purchase the many items and play the games the children have made to celebrate the winter season.

Dates for your Diary

- Monday 26th June 2023 at 1430-Mid Winter Fixmas Fair, please bring money to spend on items made by the children
- Thursday 20th July 2023 - School finishes for the year at 1300
- Wednesday 30th August 2023 - School Starts for children
- 23rd October - 27th October 2023 Half-term School closed
- Monday 30th October 2023 - School starts for children
- Thursday 14th December 2023 - School Finishes at 1300 for Christmas Break
- Tuesday 9th January 2024 term starts for children
- Monday 19th February 2024 - 23rd February 2024 - Half-term - School closed
- Monday 26th February - School starts for children
- Thursday 28th March - Term finishes at 1300
- Tuesday 16th April 2024 - Term starts for children
- Monday 27th May 2024 - Public Holiday - School closed
- Monday 3rd June 2024-Friday 7th June 2024- Half term-school closed
- Monday 10th June 2024-school starts for children
- Wednesday 24th July term finishes at 1505

Wishing you all a happy FIXMAS weekend from all at MPS.