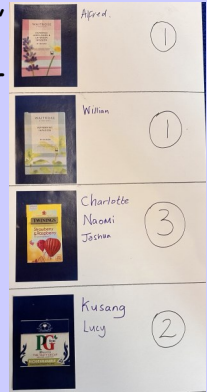


## Dear Parents

We enjoyed having the Head of DCS Bev Martin and Rowley Bucknill the Assistant Chief Education Officer (ROW) in the Falklands this week. As part of their visit they were able to spend some time in MPS, where they recognised that we provide a strong, all round education for the children in our care.

Thank you to all staff, children and families for your hard work and support in ensuring we make the most of our remote and unique location.

**In Albatross Class:** We had a very busy and fun filled time in our class this week, our highlight being the tea party on Thursday afternoon! Everyone earned a special sticker for being courageous and trying the 4 flavours of tea we had to taste. We enjoyed a little biscuit with our tea party too. Before the party, we all had to write or draw a special shopping list so we could gather all of the essentials. Biscuits were a high priority on most lists of course.

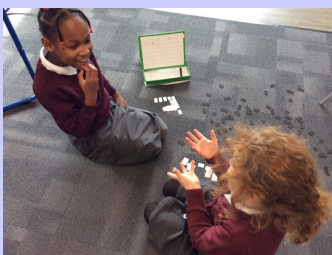


In the water tray, we've had all sorts going on from, bubbles galore to tasty tea and even sticky spaghetti to explore and cut up into little pieces. PE was a hit with an obstacle course and we got faster and faster each time. We also had a messy 'painty' day, exploring colour mixing with our hands!

We welcomed visitors from DCS into our school this week. Mr Bucknill had a top tier tour of our classroom by a couple of the Albatross children, he was kept very busy and very entertained! Well done Albatross class - a fantastic week!



**In Caracara Class:** This week we went on a short trip to the MPC Church. The aim was to find items that we have been discussing in class that are associated with Christianity. We were surprised to find many of the items, including a bell. What we couldn't find, were stain-glass windows, but we did see the images of those on order and we really liked them. In English, we finished our story writing. During Learning Chart time, we have been busy with reading, sentence construction and money activities to name but a few. We are happy that Fraser has joined our class this week but are sad to be saying goodbye to Henri. We wish him and his family all the best in Cyprus.



## In Meadowlark Class:

I am sitting here with mixed emotions, writing my final newsletter at MPS. I have been a part of Mount Pleasant Primary for the past two years and it was an absolute pleasure to have worked and lived in such a friendly and welcoming community.

I am grateful for the opportunities my two boys were given to experience this part of the world, grateful for the world-class education they received, grateful for the awesome teachers who helped them along the way.

THANK YOU to all the friends and colleagues who made our time down here so memorable! A bbq in a blizzard, fishing at Swan inlet or listening to the stories of my pupils on a Monday morning after a weekend of adventures will be sorely missed.

Eleanor, Cruz and Jack - you will be amazing this year, keep on working hard and trying your best! Practice makes Perfect!

Like a friend once said, 'We'll see each other around the bazaars.'

Mr Blom



## A message from Mrs Stobart to the Bloms:

I wanted to take this opportunity to thank you all for everything you have given and brought to MPS and the wider MPC community. You will all be truly missed by everyone.

Good luck in your new adventures in Cyprus and Episkopi is lucky to have you joining them.

## MPS Environment Week:

On the week of 16th October, the whole school is going to join together in the afternoons to find out more about our local environment out here in the Falklands. The children are going to be involved in a number of events including, some work with Falkland Islands Conservation, Sodexo for recycling and litter picking on Tuesday 17th October. We are also hoping to take the older children to Mount Pleasant Recycling Facility on the morning of Tuesday 17th October. In addition, a school visit to **Bertha's Beach** is planned, on **Wednesday 18th October**.



We are asking for your support. Please can each child bring into school, **5 items of clean rubbish** that we can sort and decide if we can recycle? Please can these items be in school for **Monday 16th October**?

We are holding a litter picking event around Bear Woods on **Tuesday 17th October at 1400**, at which we would love you to join us. Please let the school office know if you are able to support us.

## Dates for your Diary until Easter

- Week 16th October- Environment week-see above for details
- Monday 23rd October - Friday 27th October Half Term
- Monday 30th October - 2nd Term starts for children
- Friday 10th November or Saturday 11th November Remembrance - Event & Timings to be confirmed
- Friday 17th November - Children in Need - Events TBC
- Friday 1st December - Christmas Tree decoration Event at 1400
- Thursday 7th December - Christingle in the school hall at 1415
- Wednesday 13th December - School Production at 1400
- Thursday 14th December - School Finishes at 1300
- Tuesday 9th January 2024 School Starts for children
- Friday 12th January - Join your child in Learning/Launchpad at 1415
- Friday 2nd February - Sports Afternoon for FS2 - Year 6 - 1330
- Monday 19th February - Friday 23rd February - Half Term
- Monday 26th February 2nd Half term starts for children
- Thursday 7th March World Book Day - details TBC
- Wednesday 27th March - Parents Evening 1515-1730
- Thursday 28th March - School Finishes at 1300
- Tuesday 16th April - School Starts for children

*Wishing you all a restful weekend with time for some fond farewells from all at MPS.*