

Newsletter 20th October 2023

Dear Parents

Mount Pleasant School have had a busy and enjoyable week, working together as a whole school to find out about our local environment and what we can do to look after it. It was great to see the older children working with the younger children to share their knowledge and understanding. A big thank you to Glenn Welch from Falklands Conservation, Brian Thomas at the Recycling Preparation Facility and Simon Browning and Mark Ryall from DIO for your support this week and in making the week truly memorable.

In Albatross Class:

This week we have enjoyed all sorts of activities in Albatross class. We have been exploring shapes and some of us made our own shape pictures. We certainly enjoyed the nice weather, being able to enjoy our outside area with less wind (it rarely goes away completely!). We had a hopscotch challenge where we had to work on our hopping and jumping skills. We also enjoyed taking part in our whole school environmental week - working with friends from other classes to go on nature hunts, the litter pick, learn more about Falkland animals and of course our visit to Bertha's Beach where we fully embraced the opportunity and managed a super long walk to the memorial point at the far end of the beach. Back at school the next day, we enjoyed recreating and recalling our experience in the sand pit. Great job Albatross class - you've been amazing this half term. Enjoy your week off and come back ready to learn after the break!



















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In Caracara Class:

This week, Caracara Class has enjoyed joining in with the rest of the school to learn about the local flora, fauna and keeping the environment tidy. We used all the experiences to write a recount for English. In maths, year 2s have been working hard to understand the position of the equals sign within addition and subtraction number sentences to write fact families. Year 1s have been using number lines to add on from a number.

Thank you Caracara parents for your support with reading, maths and spelling homework this half term. I wish you all a lovely, sunny half term break and look forward to our return in a week's time.



In Falcon Class:

Falcons Class have had a busy week! In English we have been writing a set of instructions on how to wash a prehistoric animal (without getting eaten in the process). In maths we have been working hard on addition and subtraction. We also finished our Neolithic village; putting raffia on the roofs of our houses proved to be tricky so we used a variety of techniques (including sewing) to ensure it stayed put!

We have enjoyed our Environmental Week, especially our school trip to Bertha's Beach where we saw gentoo penguins, plenty of dolphins and all sorts of interesting objects on the beach.







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Environment Week Highlights:

























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In Meadowlark Class: Our final week of this half term has been exceptionally busy but great fun, with lots of environmental learning taking place as well as our very important maths and English.

Meadowlarks and myself having been getting to know one another and already we are building a relationship which will set us up well for some super times and learning ahead.

Jack found it fascinating how the machines could crush the cardboard and tins into bales to be sent to England for recycling.

Eleanor thought it was a once in a lifetime experience with Cruz saying that it was amazing!

Interesting fact: Did you know that glass is crushed into tiny grains (like sand) and used in the new road surfaces around MPC and Stanley?

And...please notice the tussac grass outside school, which we have been taking care of with the help from Mr. Crofts.



Dates for your Diary until Easter

- 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 great half term with some well earned relaxation from all at MPS.