

## Dear Parents

There has been lots going on this week in school, with visits from Emma and her handlers from the Dog Section and World Book Day. It was great to see the children so engaged with books and talking about the stories/books they love. Thank you to Mrs Summers and Mr Moore for organising and to you for helping the children celebrate World Book Day; providing amazing costumes is never easy in such a remote location! Hopefully we will hear some of the children's comments about the books and stories they love on BFBS shortly.



## Plover Class:

This week, the children have enjoyed lots of printing and painting to make Mother's Day cards; we also spent quite a bit of time reading books on World Book Day. It was lovely to hear the children talk about their favourite books and characters and to share books that they brought in. We have also had plenty of sand and water play outside - always a favourite activity.



## Albatross Class:

We have enjoyed a very varied week in our class with all sorts of activities going on. We enjoyed having a visit from Emma the police dog and her handlers - she was a very bouncy dog but it was exciting to watch her sniff out the 'contraband' hidden in our hall. The only time we saw her stand still was when she found it! We also had lots of fun using the parachute in PE and we all bravely ran or walked over the 'waves' and tried to get under the 'cloud' before we got trapped inside! Thursday marked World Book Day and there were many highlights of this day - the hot chocolate and biscuits while sharing stories with our friends across school as well as a 'book character' hunt in our classroom. Some of those pesky characters found really tricky places to hide, testing our observational skills! Well done Albatross - a fantastically busy week!

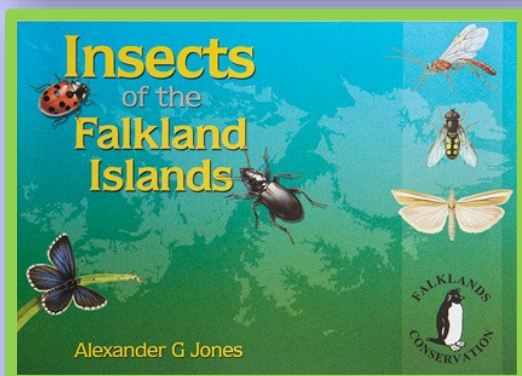




## Caracara Class:

The Caracaras went out last Friday for a walk around the local area looking at microhabitats. Surprisingly, we found many arthropods in different microhabitats. The most interesting were the spiders! The children used magnifying lenses to observe the creatures carefully. It was great fun!

In English this week, we've been finding out about an Amazon animal so that we can write an information report. The children have maintained great focus whilst finding answers to their questions using the ipads. Year 2s have finished the money topic in maths this week. If you have time, a trip to the shop to reinforce handing over money and getting change back would be most welcome.



## Falcon Class:

It's been a lovely quiet week this week, where the children have had chance to work on their research into a habitat of their choice and observe their home made water cycles in action. Their habitat search included what makes the habitat, what plants and animals live there and how their bodies are so suited to that particular environment. They have created PowerPoint presentations which they will be presenting to the class next week. Year 3 have been learning how to measure and calculate the perimeter of a 2D shape and year 4 have been looking at equivalent fractions. In RE, the children have recounted the miracle story of Jesus feeding the 5,000 and discussed what makes a good teacher and how this is relevant to Christianity. We are collecting recycling ready for our projects and the children have now designed an image that they would like to create. We really need items in shades of blue, so if anyone has anything that needs recycling in these colours, please could you bring them into school so that they could be put to good use.



## Meadowlark Class:

World Book Day went down a treat yesterday! Hot chocolate and cookies were enjoyed by the children who all looked fantastic in their outfits! Thank you to Meadowlarks for taking on the role of sharing and reading books with the younger children, helping them enjoy the session.

We are close to starting writing our information text about 'wolves' so have been learning how to use relative pronouns, subordinating conjunctions and recognise the features of an information text; we can hopefully share that with you next week. Maths continues with fractions, decimals and percentages and lots still to learn in this area of maths.

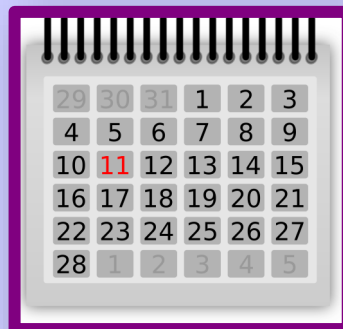
The United Kingdom is our new topic focus, so I urge you to ask the children about the regions, cities and capital cities of the countries which make up the UK.





## An E-Safety Date Reminder:

On **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March at 14.15**, we would like to invite all parents and families along to an online safety session in the school hall. We are fortunate that Detective Constable Helen Taylor from the Royal Falkland Islands Police is able to come along and join us in school to help spread the message about staying safe online. Helen is the 'Public Protection Officer' and part of her role covers internet safety. While we recognise that the internet brings with it a wealth of possibilities, it also carries some risks and safeguarding children from these is a high priority as we prepare children for a future in an ever increasing digital world. Please do come along and find out more about how you can play an active role in keeping your child safe online.



## Dates for your Diary

- Wednesday 27th March - Parents Evening 1515-1730
- Thursday 28th March - School finishes at 1300
- Tuesday 16th April - School starts for children
- Monday 6th May - May Bank Holiday - No school
- Monday 27th May - May Bank Holiday - No school
- Monday 3rd June - Friday 7th June - Half Term
- Wednesday 24th July - Last Day of Term - School Finishes at 1515

*Wishing you all a fun weekend getting out and about from all at MPS.*