

Dear Parents,

This week we took a step back in time and celebrated VE day by holding a traditional (indoor) street party 1945 style!

Everyone looked amazing with flat caps, beautiful dresses, colourful hair ribbons, gas masks and even evacuee labels tied to their tank-tops!

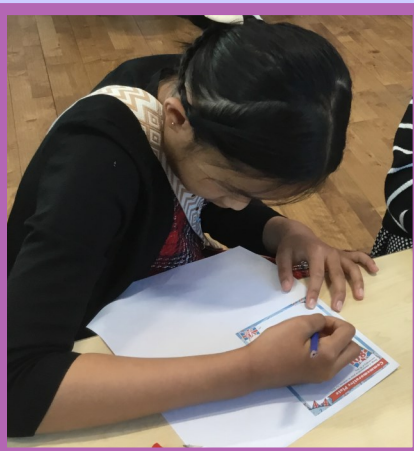
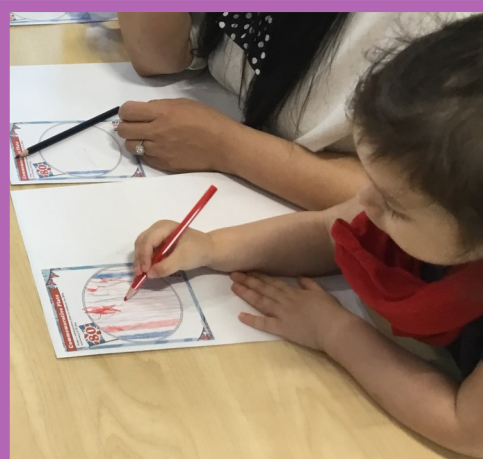
Well done and thank you to everyone for making such a fantastic effort!



I hope you enjoy looking at a few of the photographs, though we decided to keep them in colour rather than black and white!

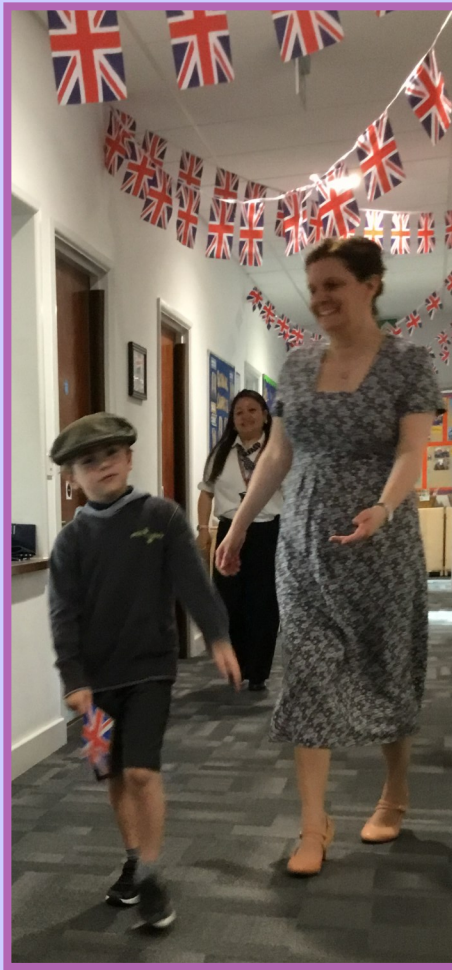
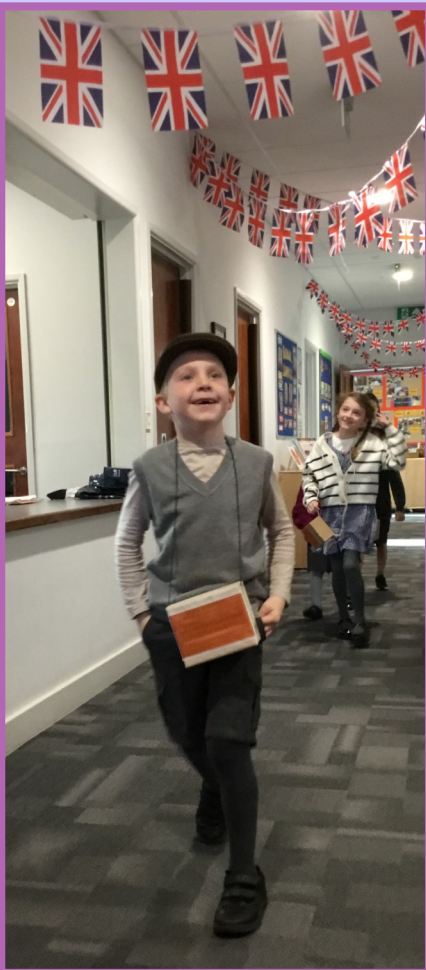


All children, designed and made a commemorative plate to take home as a keepsake. It was wonderful to see so much effort being made everyone was quite rightly proud of what they achieved. The display table looked stunning.





We needed to make lots of sandwiches for our street party, a good job we had plenty of 1945 rations of spam, potted meat, corned beef and strawberry jam - yum yum!







Parents dressed the hall ready for the party and filled the tables with home baked cakes and treats to make sure there was a feast for everyone to enjoy ~ of course the feasting had to wait until Mr Churchill had given his speech and everyone sang 'God Save the King'.





We even got to take a look inside a 1945 VE Day house, decorated ready for the victory celebrations. Thank you Mrs P, for sharing your incredible model creation, you are very talented indeed!



### Welcome to our new starters

We are delighted to welcome Maya who joined FS1 last week and has settled in so well already!

This week, we are also pleased to have welcomed Gracie into Y2.

We hope that you have both enjoyed getting to know everyone and making new friends, we know you are going to have a fantastic time at Mount Pleasant School!





This week we had the great pleasure to welcome our friends from the Nepalese/Ghurkha community to a very special assembly.

LCpl Vijay Raj Gurung presented a cheque for the absolutely incredible amount of £1805 to the school. Thanks also to Wng Cdr Dunne for heading the presentation party.

Funds were mostly raised from the sale of delicious Momo dumplings, which clearly went down a treat.

The efforts of Vijay and all of his team are greatly appreciated by everyone at Mount Pleasant School, we are so lucky to be at the centre of such a supportive community that thinks so highly of the school.

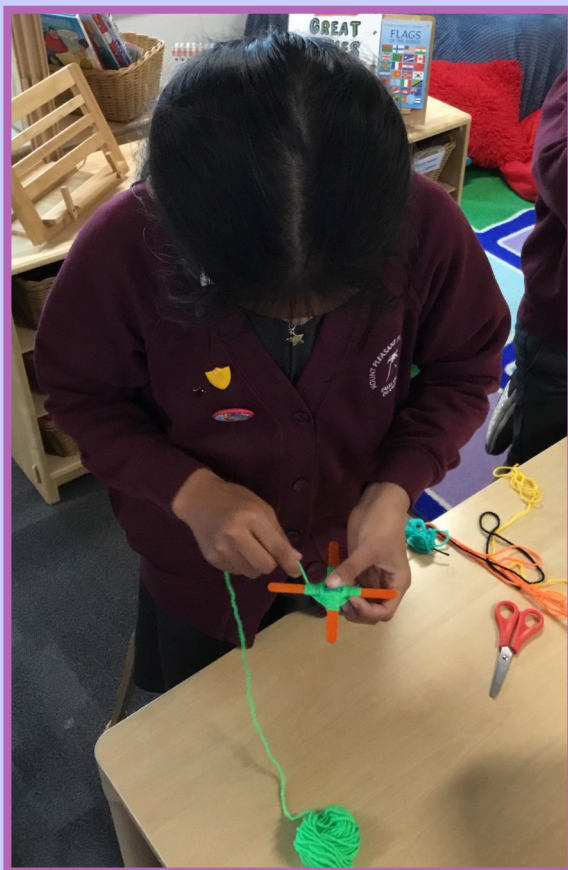
This huge donation of money will make a great difference and will be put to good use for the benefit of all the children at Mount Pleasant School, we cannot thank Vijay and his team enough!



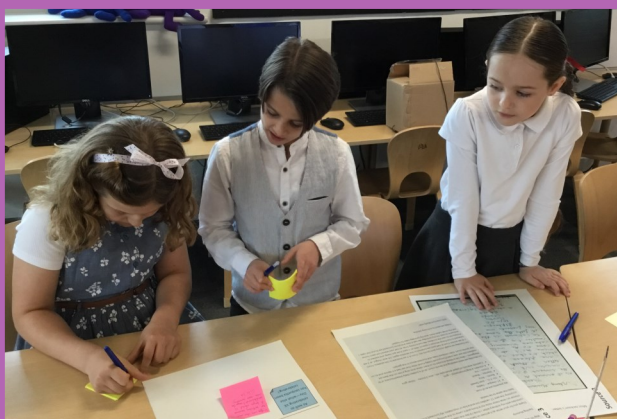
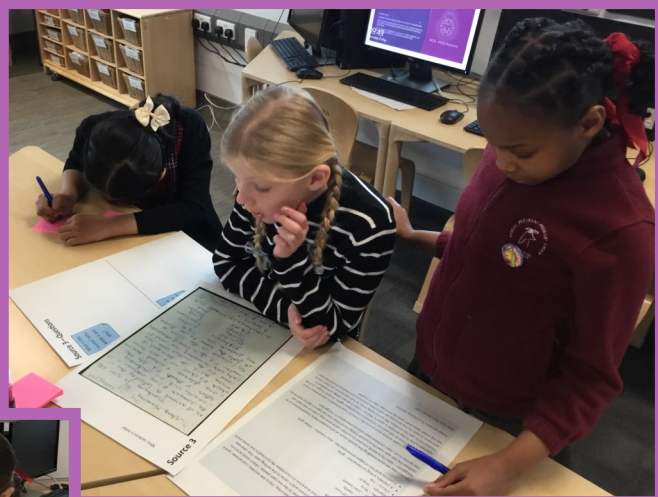
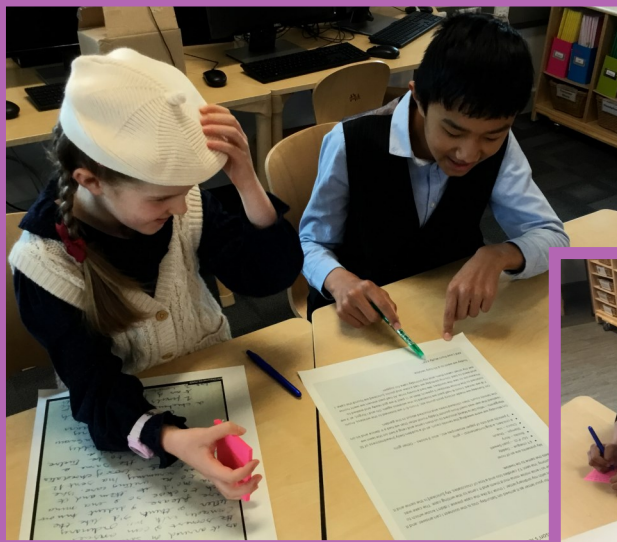
### News from Orca Class

Another week has flown by with so many things happening. We have started our DT unit where our final outcome will be a Mayan inspired tapestry. We found out more about weaving and watched some videos to demonstrate how it was done traditionally in the past. We decided it was a very intricate 'art' and would likely be very time consuming. It was then over to us to have a go at weaving using different techniques. We tried 'paper weaving' which was not as easy as it first looked and we used two lollipop sticks to create some wonderful little squares, woven very well! Again, tricky at first but once we got the hang of it, we were flying along. Special thanks to Crisha who was our class expert in this area!

Our VE day celebrations were very poignant too – KS2 thought carefully about the key question 'was it a celebration for everyone?' They used their historical enquiry skills to investigate primary sources including letters, diary entries, ration books and interviews to find out that, although it was a cause for celebration, the day did not hold the same elevated status for everyone at the time. Isla posed a great question too wanting to find out more about what that same day would be like in Germany. Some very thoughtful ideas and insights Orca class – well done.









### Join your child for school dinner

We would like to invite you to enjoy a dinnertime with your child/ren on either Monday 19th May or Wednesday 21st May, chose which day suites you best.

As well as enjoying a mealtime with your child, you'll get to sample the delights of school dinners provided by CRF.

### Menu choices:

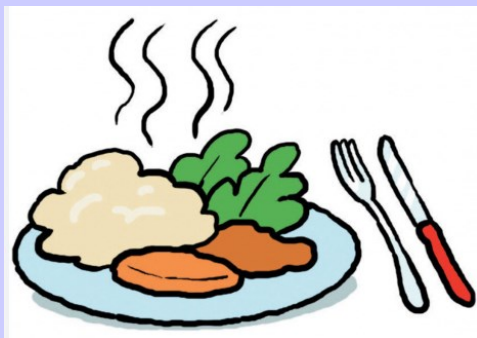
#### Monday 19th

- Chicken Carbonara
- Vegan Burritos
- Cheese Sandwich

#### Wednesday 21st

- Spaghetti Bolognaise
- Quorn sausage & Arabiatta sauce
- Chicken Mayo sandwich

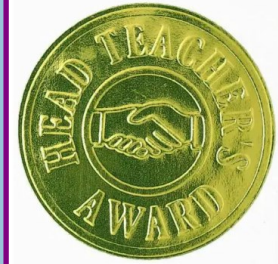
If you would like to come to dinner on either of those dates please get in touch with Lauren in the school office ([lauren.bailey@modschools.org](mailto:lauren.bailey@modschools.org)) and let her know what meal you'd like.



School dinnertime is 12:00 to 12:30 hrs

### Headteacher's Award

Congratulations to Enya-Rose who always uses her amazing listening skills to make sure she understands, can remember what is being said and can follow instructions.  
Great job, you set such a good example to everyone in school.



### Dates for enrichment clubs:

#### Games Club With Mr Moore For FS2 and Y1

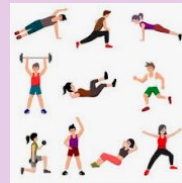


**Thursdays 15:15 to 16:00**

#### Sessions:

- 1—08/05/25
- 2 - 15/05/25
- 3 - 22/05/25
- 4 - 29/05/25
- 5 - 05/06/25

#### Circuits Training With Mr Dean For Y1 to Y6



**Tuesdays 15:15 to 16:15**  
**Please collect children at the**  
**Tumbledown Gym**

#### Sessions:

- 1 - 06/05/25
- 2 - 13/05/25
- 3 - 20/05/25
- 4 - 27/05/25
- 5 - 03/06/25



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We Need  
Your Help!



*Donations Needed – please deliver to  
Mount Pleasant School*

## **Are you trying to pack to return to the UK?**

Does your house need a sort out and you don't know where to put the excess?

Are you willing to gift us something for a stall?

Mount Pleasant School is asking for donations for a wide range of stalls for the Winter Fete.



## **We are looking for**

- **toys**
- **books**
- **clothes**
- **unopened bottles (of any sort)**
- **empty glass jars**
- **tombola items**

Clean and in  
good condition



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*Further dates will be added to the newsletter as events are arranged.*

- **Monday 19th May** - Join your child for dinner in school, pre-order required.
- **Wednesday 21st May** - Join your child for dinner in school, pre-order required.
- **Monday 26th May** - Bank Holiday, school closed.
- **Monday 09th June to Friday 13th June** - Half term, school closed.
- **Saturday 21st June 11am to 3pm** - MPS winter fete to be held in school.
- **Thursday 24th July** - Last day of term, school closes at 13:00 hrs.

*Term time and holiday dates for the academic year 2024-25 can be found on the school website.*

*~ Wishing you all a fantastic weekend ~*





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Term Dates School Year 2025 - 2026	
<b>Autumn Term 2025</b>	
First day of term	Monday 01 <sup>st</sup> September
Half term	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> October
Last day of term	Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> December 13:00 - Finish
<b>Spring Term 2026</b>	
First day of term	Wednesday 07 <sup>th</sup> January
Half term	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> to Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> February
Last day of term	Thursday 02 <sup>nd</sup> April 13:00 - Finish
<b>Summer Term 2026</b>	
First day of term	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> April
Spring Bank Holiday	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> May
Half term	Monday 08 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> June
Last day of term	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 13:00 - Finish