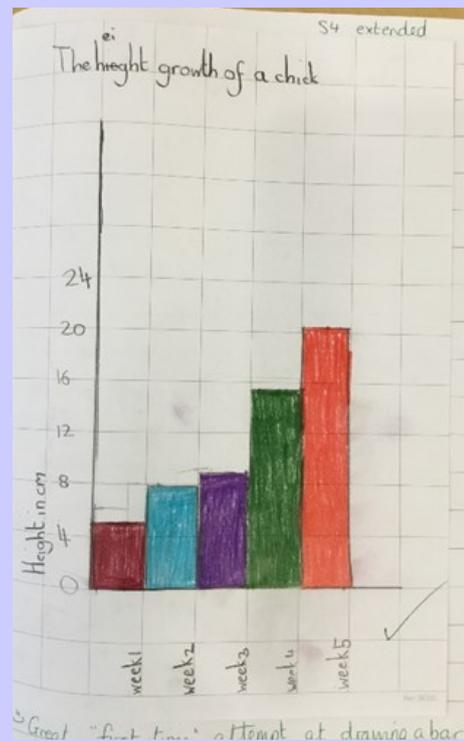


Dear Parents,

The school corridors came alive to the sound of music this morning and I couldn't stop myself from finding out where the beautiful singing and music was coming from. Well done Commerson class, your rendition of 'Do-Re-Mi' was incredible, it brought a smile to my face and turned my Friday morning into something special. In fact all through school I have seen children setting about their learning with enthusiasm and there is a real sense of joy in our happy classes. It may be Friday, but sometimes we have to remember just how lucky and privileged we are to come to work in such a special school.

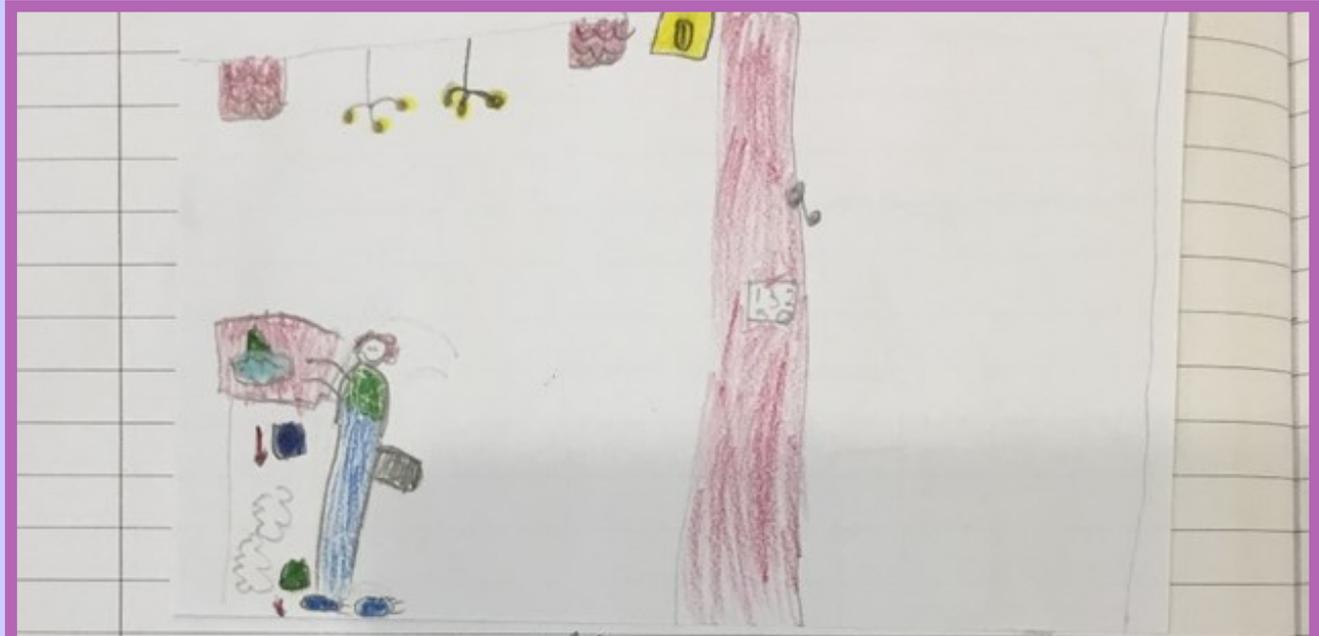
### News from Commerson Class

This week year 1 and 2 have continued to learn about Christopher Columbus. They had to sort possible answers as to why he would risk his life to find new lands. In Science, the children drew their first bar chart to show the growth of a chick over 5 weeks. They all had different data and had to consider the best increments for the x axis.



**Also in Commerson class**

In English, we wrote character descriptions about our own invented inventor!



Jack May  
 Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> May (E4)  
 Jack May is a very creative boy. He looks like has brown hair and green eyes. He has funny blue shoes that he wears every week. He is different to the other children at his school because he makes his inventions in his work office. ~~He~~ For his inventions He makes roller skates that turn into boots. His friends at school laughed at him because his inventions were a bit too crazy. But he didn't give up and kept trying and trying until his inventions were perfect.

## More news from Commerson Class

This week, FS1 and FS2 have been learning about stars. They have found out that stars can be four different colours. I wonder if they can remember and tell you what colours they are? They have been very creative this week, using splatter paint effect to create their own starry skies, refining their fine motor skills by drawing, cutting and gluing stars (to the correct colours, of course!) and using play-dough. The FS2s have been using the language part and whole to develop their understanding of number whilst the FS1s have been counting out objects to match numbers. We've also had great fun being outdoors, practising our balancing skills and using the big sand pit.



### Headteacher's Awards x 4

A week to celebrate our super athletes! Who have been demonstrating their skills at Mr Dean's gruelling after-school circuits club.

**Isla** has shown that she has amazing all-round P.E. skills and is prepared to persevere when the work-out gets challenging, well done Isla!



**Eryn** is always keen to join in and take part and her football skills are superb, fantastic!



**Teddy** always makes a super effort and has shown that he has great technique and skills for football and boxing, keep it up Teddy.



**Eoghan** is prepared to challenge himself, no matter what task he perseveres to improve his skills. Good job Eoghan!



### Cup-cakes and books

Please come along Monday 02nd June, 15:15 to 16:00 hrs join us for cup cakes courtesy of the 4-Season's and a drink in the school hall.

There will also be a children's book give-away.

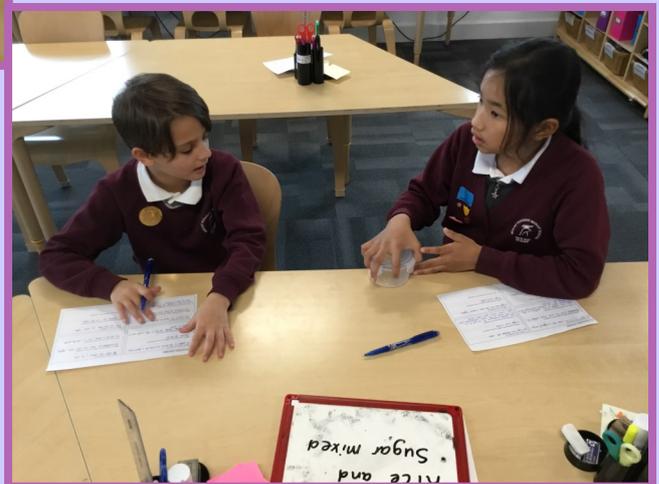
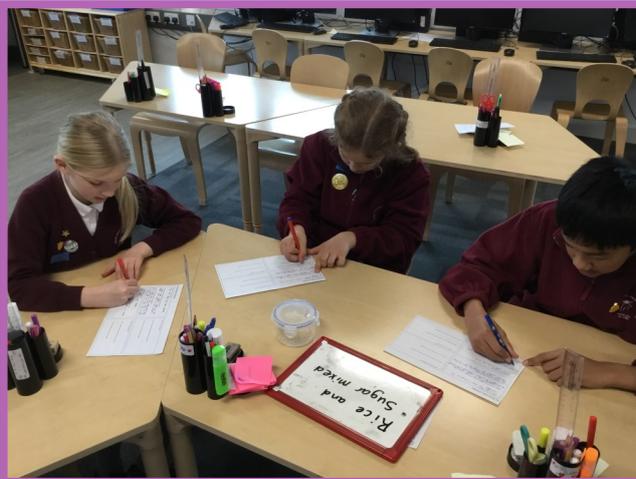
**Slight change to our original plan, now a suggested donation of £2.00 to school funds.**

### News from Orca class

This week has seen all sorts of learning going on in Orca class - but it has been a particularly busy week for Cruz who has completed his SATs. Well done Cruz for approaching them with a very mature attitude, trying your best and taking it all in your stride!

Back in class, our learning in English focussed on 'survival' as our book, *The Lost Book of Adventure*, is all about tips and tricks for staying safe in the wild. Everyone is very engaged with it and the highlight was having time to create a short 'scene' based on a survival narrative. Year 3 took us on a journey to an 'unknown island' where a puppy was eventually discovered while Year 4, 5 and 6 took us to the snowy mountains and eventually down to a river where they crafted a raft to help them go down it! The acting out and narration was very good, especially as they were not allowed props!

In science, we continue our investigations with changing materials - this week focussing on reversible changes where we had to work out first what the problem was and then come up with a way to solve it. For example, sugar being dissolved in water - the solution being to heat it up to allow the water to evaporate leaving behind sugar crystals. We also began a new maths unit of money with Y3&4 - although they may already be experts owing to their wonderful 'Office Orca' work where they regularly count up funds!



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Dates for enrichment clubs:

**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

**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 - cancelled**
- 4 - 29/05/25 - cancelled**
- 5 - 05/06/25

**Update**

Games club has been cancelled on Thursday 22nd and Thursday 29th May...  
Instead there will be 'winter fete enterprise club' with Mrs Hill, Mrs Dunne and Mrs Smith.

The focus will be on creative entrepreneurial ideas!

All children from all years are welcome to attend. Please let Lauren in the school office know if your child/ren will be attending these dates.

Games club with Mr Moore will be going ahead as normal **15<sup>th</sup>** May and the **05<sup>th</sup>** June.

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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.**

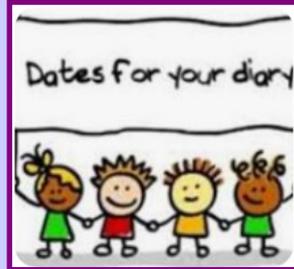


## **We are looking for**

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

Clean and in  
good condition





*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 02nd June** - 15:15 to 16:00 hrs Bake sale and book give away in school hall, everyone welcome.
- **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 ~*