

MILLWOOD NEWS

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Welcome

A very warm welcome to the newest member of the Office Team, Michelle Whipp. Michelle replaces Marie Malone.



Meanwhile, some of the children in Redvales 1 donned Winnie's hat and enjoyed exploring a variety of sensory props.

Bury FC

We look forward to seeing pupils and families on Saturday at Bury FC. Pupils have been invited to take part in a guard of honour and to meet and greet the players and manager as well as half time activities. I hope everyone has a fantastic day.



Literacy and Numeracy Groups

All the children have worked extra hard both in and out of class this week. We have been using biscuits and sweets to practise 1:1 correspondence in Maths. Some children have been making 'creative' treasure maps - Ryan added 'Bright yellow kangaroo island' to his map.



Nursery 1 and 2

have been busy this week, continuing our topic work- "To infinity and beyond"! We made alien cakes in food technology, read a story about aliens, made alien masks and finished our paper mache planets. We enjoyed a dance session in the hall and learnt about the 'A' sound in phonics.



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Whitelow 1

have been continuing our topic on old and new toys this week we got the chance to explore some old toys to see which ones we liked. Firm favourites were the cup and ball and the chalk boards! We have also been working really hard in Literacy on our phonics and spelling cvc words.



Whitelow 2 have had a fab week learning about space. We have been painting rockets and practising writing our numbers.



Redvales 1 have had a great week. We have been continuing our sensory story "The Gingerbread Man". We found it very funny when the Gingerbread Man jumped all over our trays and chairs! We explored our gingerbread play dough during the story and rolled out shapes, they smelt very nice.

We got a bit wet and soggy when the "Gingerbread Man" tried to cross the river! In RE we learnt all about the different types of music that you can hear in Church. We loved dancing to the gospel choirs and we felt very relaxed when we heard the Gregorian chanting monks.



Redvales 2

This week in Redvales 2 we have been following our work on Magazines from last week by designing and creating a school magazine. We have decided on a title and we know what we need for our articles - now it's time to be paparazzi and roving reporters!



Redvales 3 What a lovely week we have had! Our themed book this week is called 'Roaring Rockets'. The children have really enjoyed counting down to blast off! We have been mark-making

on rockets, making 'space' food in our space kitchen and reading in our space tent.



Redvales 4 What a super first week back we have all had. We are all settled into our routines again now and have been working very, very hard on all of our Curriculum Targets. We have also experienced a new facility in the school. It is called the dark room and we have explored lots of different 'Light' resources in there. It is fantastic! Al-



so we have been doing Samba Drumming in our Music Lesson. Wow! What fantastic rhythm we all have! The theatre carries the sound of our drums beautiful-

ly. Our teacher says that we should have our own pop group!!

Redvales 5 What a great week we have had in Redvales 5 and we have all been working very hard. This week in science we have been exploring dif-



ferent materials. We had lots of different objects and had to sort the objects into groups of wood, plastic and metal . We also had a look around school to find different things which are made from wood, plastic and metal.

Redvales 6 have continued with their "Gingerbread Man" theme. This week, we have enjoyed getting messy in art and made a collage



out of flour, brown sugar, golden syrup and ginger. We also created some gingerbread play dough. Next week, we look forward to starting our new story 'Chocolate Mousse for Greedy Goose' where we will be engaging in some lovely food play!

Irwell 1 This week Irwell 1 have been "Gruffalo-ing" about; getting to know the story characters, singing monster songs and looking at real animals that are a bit "Gruffalo-ish". The children have also been exercising at Bury Gym, investigating the properties of corn flour, and how it changes when they add water - independently! And finally they have been listening to



some different musical instruments and learning to identify them by their sound. Some really lovely attempts to play - well done everyone.



Irwell 2 have been getting stuck in to their new topics this week. We are listening



ing to lots of traditional tales in literacy, learning about germs in science and looking at patterns and symmetry in numeracy. We are all learning where the line of sym-

metry is in shapes. Look at how we have been completing patterns.

Irwell 4 have been having a fun week doing lots of pig themed activities. We have read the story of "The Three Little Pigs" and Joshua loved



playing the part of the wolf when we re-enacted it. We built our own houses made of straw, wood and bricks to sequence the story during literacy and all the boys were fantastic at finding the pigs who ran away and hid from the big bad wolf around school.



FS/KS1

Alice for brilliant communication: responding to adult interaction by vocalizing and smiling.



Irwell 5 This week in Irwell 5 we have been investigating weight. We have



been looking at various packets and tins to see which weighs the most in grams. We have

also used balance scales to weigh things in non-standard units.

Irwell 6 This week we have been taking part in Guinness World Record attempts. On Tuesday we timed ourselves to see how long it would take us to eat

2 dry cream crackers without water.

Joseph managed to eat them in 2 minutes and 1 second. Can anyone at Millwood beat this record? The challenge is on!



KS 1/KS2

Noah for initiating play with two of his class friends over the last few weeks.





LET'S GET TOGETHER

WHAT FOR? THE 'I WILL IF YOU WILL' GET-TOGETHER

WHEN? 4-6PM SATURDAY 18TH JANUARY 2014

WHERE? ST JOHN'S SQUARE, THE ROCK, BURY

I WILL IF
YOU WILL

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WHAT IS 'I WILL IF YOU WILL'?

'I WILL IF YOU WILL' IS A MOVEMENT TO GET US LADIES OF BURY MOVING. IT'S ABOUT US GETTING TOGETHER AND ENCOURAGING EACH OTHER TO TRY SOMETHING NEW. IT'S ABOUT DOING SOMETHING FOR OURSELVES FOR A CHANGE AND HAVING A LAUGH WHILE WE DO IT. SO HOW ABOUT IT?

WE'RE HAVING A BIT OF A GET-TOGETHER

To get things moving and start spreading the word, we're having a bit of a get-together. Join Key 103 and our special celebrity guest at The Rock from 4-6pm on Saturday 18th January for a whole host of goings-on. Pop along and help us light up our giant exercise-powered projection, grab your friends and have your snap taken in our fun photo booth, show your support on our giant pledge wall and you might even pick up a few freebies while you're there. What's more you could also win a 6 month gym and spa membership for two in our free prize draw.

CAN'T WAIT UNTIL THEN?

Join us online at iwillifyouwill.co.uk to find all the help and advice you need to get yourselves moving. You can also keep up to date with all the latest news, as well as find out what's going on near you and how you can get involved.



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Best wishes

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