

# MILLWOOD NEWS

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## New teachers for September

We are very pleased to inform you that three teachers have been appointed to permanent posts in September.

1. Alison Wild currently temporary post at Millwood.
2. Anne Botham currently at The Arches at Mersey Drive, Bury.
3. Rachel Turner currently at Lisburne school, Stockport.

## New School Nurse

Welcome to Diane Marney our new full time school nurse. Find out what she looks like on the back page!

## Prayer room

A very big thank you to Gemma for creating a lovely interior to the prayer room which can be used by children and staff of any faith or no faith.



Chicks We are delighted to say that so far 9 chicks have hatched out. Please see film of chicks hatching out which is on a loop in our reception area.

## Thank you

Thank you to everyone for supporting our fund raising for Sports Relief. We have raised the fantastic amount of £1557.65.



## STARS OF THE WEEK



### FS/KS1

Brent for excellent work in all lessons throughout the week.

### KS 1/KS2

Cody for excellent tracking in the dark room.



**Nursery 1 and 2** have had a busy fun week! We have enjoyed practising for the dance festival and welcoming the chicks into school. Also our fingers have been getting messy in the flower beds when we checked the progress of our



herbs to see if they have grown. We had great fun making peacocks out of paper plates and used our hand prints to make their feathers, they look lovely and colourful. We are looking forward to performing our dance next Friday in the Dance Festival.



**Whitelow 1** This week has been very busy. We have been looking at the chicks hatching and learning about the life cycle of a frog and a chick. We have



also been on an archaeological dig and found some pre-historic dinosaurs. We have been very careful to brush all the sand and paper off.



**Whitelow 2** have been learning about safety in the home in PSHE. We have been labelling objects around school that are dangerous or could be hot!



**Redvales 1** This week we have been listening to songs all about Spring



and making some lovely Easter crafts. Some of us really enjoyed our Rebound sessions and did lots of lovely vocalising and asking for "more bouncing!" We also visited our beautiful baby chicks. They are very cute!



**Redvales 2** On Tuesday some of our pupils went to the Manchester Games to compete in the Indoor Curling tournament. They watched the opening ceremony then took part in the contest, where they finished 6th! They had a great time and really enjoyed their day.

**Redvales 3** What a fabulous week we have had. We have loved visiting



the hatchery in our school theatre and counting the number of chicks that have hatched! We have also had a chick themed week linked to our book 'Baaboom!' We have made our own chicks using yellow playdough and yellow feathers.

#### Redvales 4

This week our teachers are sooooo proud of all the hard work and effort we have



been putting in. We have some budding scientists in our class because Ashley and Aaron have both been answering lots of questions and making super predictions about sinking and floating in our forces topic. Also, we would like to congratulate Rocket on winning the class spelling competition. Well done Rocket! Additionally, we have our very own Gordon Ramsay in Redvales 4. Aaron has taken to using the switch operated mixer with such ease. What a star! We have seen eggs hatch and little baby chicks appear in the hatchery in the theatre.

Redvales 6 have had another very enjoyable and busy week! We have taken



part in lots of lovely Easter art and craft activities such as making cards and model chicks. We also produced and explored our own sensory rainbow playdough linked to our story, "The Rainbow Fish".

Next week we look forward to performing in the Dance Festival!

Redvales 5 have really enjoyed having the living eggs in school.



We enjoyed looking at the eggs hatch into small fluffy chicks. Also this week we have been learning how to weave in Art. We have been weaving with paper and ribbons. We took long pieces of ribbon outside and practised weaving on the fence.

Irwell 1 Spring has really been in the air in Irwell 1 this week. Our beanstalks are big enough to go out in the Millwood garden - the children enjoyed digging holes and planting



them carefully in their new home. We're already looking forward to a bountiful crop of beans. We have also been getting to



know our fluffy new chick friends - from just eggs in an incubator, through all the hard work of hatching, to carefully saying hello with gentle strokes.

Irwell 2 have been learning about Easter this week. We have looked at different symbols for Easter including chocolate eggs and chicks. We have also learnt the traditional Easter story. The children have been quite excited to visit our living eggs that have been hatching overnight.





**Irwell 4** are very pleased about the living eggs being in school. We have been keeping a



close eye on them and we were very excited when one began to crack its shell when we were visiting. The next day when we went to visit there were 5 lovely fluffy chicks! We have also been finishing our



work based around "The Gingerbread Man" story, looking at ways to help us feel 'happy' in PHSE

and using real money to pay for our snack.

**Irwell 5** As part of our "Once Upon a Time" topic Irwell 5 have been finding out all about castles. There were castles in the stories we read and we have



learned about castle life in history. We used our knowledge of 3D shape to select the right boxes, tubes and other materials to make castle models. We are really pleased with how they are progressing.



**Irwell 6** Money, money, money! This week, Irwell 6 has been learning about money. We have been buying our snacks and using money to buy toys from our shop. We have been learning about giving and receiving change.



### Easter Assembly - 11th April at 10am

Unfortunately, due to reaching the capacity of the Main Hall, tickets for the Easter Assembly are no longer available.

Please note this is a ticket only event with a maximum of 2 tickets per child .

### Curling Tournament

Congratulations to the curling team for achieving 6th position.



We have all hatched - aren't we fabulous! Everyone thinks so.



Our first photo album.



Ever wanted to have chickens? Ours will be available for adoption next Friday. Anyone who would like to start their own little flock, (they don't like to be alone), please tell your child's class team.

## Dr Levy assembly photographs



Dr Levy with Kian, Ali Raza, Helen, Lewis and Diane, our new school nurse.

Well done Ethan A for making the card!



Best wishes  
Helen Chadwick  
Headteacher

