

MILLWOOD NEWS

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NEWSLETTER DATE FRIDAY 10TH OCTOBER 2014

STRIKE ACTION CALLED OFF

Please note school will be open as normal to pupils on Tuesday 14th October as the strike has been called off.

GOVERNING BODY MEETING

Our next Governing Body meeting will be on Tuesday 14th October at 4pm.

HARVEST ASSEMBLY

Our Harvest Assembly will take place on Friday 17th October at 10.00am. Families welcome.



PREMISES TEAM

Congratulations to the newly appointed caretaker Danny Lamb and the newly appointed weekend caretaker Russell Turner. We look forward to working with them both.

FLU VACCINATION

Thank you to all the parents/ carers who have agreed to the Flu vaccination for their child earlier this week. Many of the staff also had the Flu vaccination. This so called "herd immunity" is really important.

PARENTS'/CARERS' NEWSLETTER

We will be sending the parents'/carers' questionnaire out next week. Can you please complete and return to me by Thursday 23rd October.

If you have already done one in July 2014, there is no need to do another.

COFFEE MORNING

Thank you to all Parents and Carers who attended our first coffee morning last Thursday, a good time was had by all. We look forward to seeing everyone at our next gathering, details to follow soon.

Margaret and Shirley.



STARS OF THE WEEK



FS/KS1

Alisha W for all round good work, and for being so helpful in class to her teachers and her new Whitelow 2 friends



KS 1/KS2

Josh L for participating beautifully in music and for learning and remembering to stop and specific times throughout our song.



Nursery 1 We have been painting self portraits using finger paints and finishing off our poppy pictures for the 'Remembrance' display. We



learnt all about birthdays and played party games, which was great fun! We enjoyed switch activities, where we used a variety of switches to activate the fan, bubble machine and star projector. We worked really hard making iPad pictures using the Paint Sparkle.

Nursery 2 This week we have been busy exploring our marks. We have been using lots of different marks - making tools and enjoyed doing big strokes and tiny strokes.



Whitelow 1 have had an exciting week discovering the work of the artist Hunderwasser. The children investigated shape and space, and discussed warm and cool colours whilst exploring the paintings. The children then recreated their own work in the style of Hunderwasser.

Whitelow 2 We've had wet and wild weather this week but Whitelow 2 haven't let it spoil their



fun - we've been looking at, listening to, feeling and drawing it. Very exciting and good work.

We have also found time to bake bread, ride donkeys, swim and bounce. We have been very busy.

Redvales 1 This week we have had fun exploring and creating. We have used paint to make short and long lines. We have also rolled play dough to make fat and thin snakes. We have been in the new world café and made cinnamon buns and mint creams which were delicious.



Redvales 2 This week in Redvales 2 we have been exploring the properties of 2D and 3D

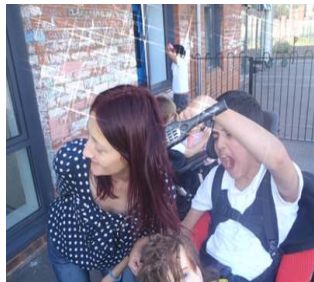


shapes, and describing them using mathematical vocabulary such as edges, corners, faces and vertices!

Redvales 3 We have had a very busy week in class! We have been doing role play for our book 'Suddenly' pretending to be the wolf creeping. We have also been doing lots of shape activities in maths. We had great fun dancing to music and when the music stopped we stood on a shape. We had a yummy time slicing apples and dipping them in honey to learn about the Jewish festival Rosh Hashanah too.



Redvales 4 Hello Parents and carers. Well, there has been so much fun and learning going on we would need lots of pages to get you up to date!! In Science we have been learning about Archimedes' Law and we have explored a plethora of objects to find out which ones sink and which ones float. On Communication Day we had a lots of fun 'trying something new'. Aaron loved the hairdresser's and he gave Donna a 'hair-raising' experience!!! We also visited a lovely Spa in Nursery to help us relax after such a 'HARD' Day whilst Donna untangled her hair!! He-he! Until, next week, Bye!



Redvales 5 have had a fun week. We had a great time on communication day playing malteser football and chopstick races. This week we have played shops during maths and added up our shopping.



Redvales 6 have had a wonderful week! We loved our story "Peace at Last", especially when the noisy aeroplane flew high up in the sky. In science, we experienced making objects go faster and slower, for example, cars up and down a ramp and stirring fast and slow with a wooden spoon.



Irwell 1 have had a fantastic time reading our new book 'We're going on a bear hunt'. We enjoyed exploring long wavy grass, thick oozy mud and swirly whirly snow storms.



Irwell 2 This week we have enjoyed communication day. We spent time going



around different classes experiencing all types of businesses. This has helped us to develop our communication and social skills.

Irwell 3 loved setting up their own Post Office for communication day last Thursday. We wrote letters to our friends, made stamps and took part in a range of mark making activities.



Irwell 4 This week we have been looking at our new book 'Red Planet' in Literacy and have predicted what will happen in the story. We've started looking at eating



healthy foods in PSHE. The children have loved looking at their photos from communication day last week, I wonder what they will be when they are grown up?



Irwell 5 This week in Irwell 5 we have been applying our number skills in different situations. We have been finding different



ways to make 10p using smaller coins and we have been having fun buying and selling things with real



money. We also enjoy playing money games on our netbooks.

Irwell 6 During Millwood's Communication Day, Irwell 6 explored people who help us and our focus was the Doctor's. We set up our classroom as a Doctor's surgery, with a waiting room, reception area, baby clinic,

and Doctor's cubicles. There was a 'dress up' corner, where the children could



dress as a surgeon or a doctor, along with jigsaws. Visitors from other classes enjoyed pretending to be Doctors for the day. Here's a few pictures from our wonderful day!



Literacy and Numeracy Groups

This week has all been about 'Speaking and Listening'. The Wizards of Irwell 6 and the Stars of Redvales



2 worked hard re-telling the story of "The Three Billy Goats Gruff" with expression and fluency. Jasmine has also been using her voice and enjoyed dressing up and singing her favourite Katy

Perry tunes to an audience - she loves to make people smile!



Best wishes

Helen Chadwick

Headteacher

MILLWOOD COMMUNICATION DAY- VISIT BY THE HALLE ORCHESTRA

