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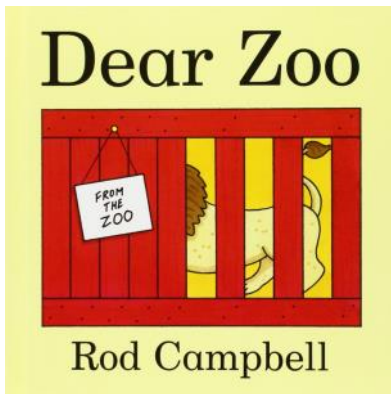
TREES IN PLAYGROUND

The trees were due to be pollarded over half term. Unfortunately the contractors did not arrive in spite of daily reminders. The pollarding is due to start on Sunday. Until then the playgrounds will still be "out of bounds".

SCHOOL COUNCIL

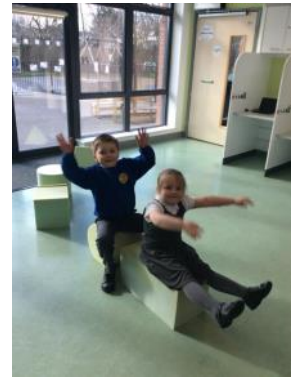
Many thanks to all the children for contributing to the School Council. They are going to tell me what qualities they want to see in new teachers and we will include this in our job adverts.

Nursery 1 have all re-returned back to school ready for some hard work and lots of fun! This term our topic is Animals and other living things. Over the next 5 weeks we will be learning about zoo animals, farm animals and animals from around the world. We kick started our topic with the book "Dear Zoo" and made some delicious lion pizzas yum yum!



Nursery 2 It has been really nice to see our friends again this week. We have an exciting new topic and a brand new vet's role play corner. We have been learning lots of new animal signs and enjoyed making tiger cake. We have been on an animal hunt in the jungle room. What a busy first week back.

Whitelow 1 This week we have read the book "Dear Zoo" and chose our favourite animals. We have learnt about 3D shapes and have had lots of fun making models with our friends. Here we are riding on the White-



low 1 Express. We have explored Great Britain and have learnt about the tradition of afternoon tea. We enjoyed tasting a cream tea.



Whitelow 2 Spring is here and in Whitelow 2 this week we have been looking for signs of new life in our gardens and creating lots of our own beautiful Spring flower images. In Numeracy we have built a lot of towers and have been talking about which ones were the biggest or smallest. Also, as a special surprise treat the Firefighters came to visit us and teach us how to be safe.



Redvales 1 have been reading the story of "Winnie the Witch and the Mid-night Dragon"



and we had great fun making a messy sensory potion. We followed the special recipe in our recipe books and on the computer and we discovered lots of things that witches like to put in their potions, like maggots, worms and slugs,



yuck! We also explored 2D shapes in numeracy, making shape pictures with sponges and paint and looking for different real life shapes around school. During lunchtime we very much enjoyed listening to the saxo-

phone. It was great fun.

Redvales 2 This week we have been learning about the Easter Story and thinking about what we could give up for Lent. Thinking about what we could give-up was an extremely daunting task! We made Easter chicks to celebrate the new life that Spring brings. In geography we thought about where England is in the world and found out that we are quite a small island compared to other countries. We created images of the world and labelled the countries that we used.

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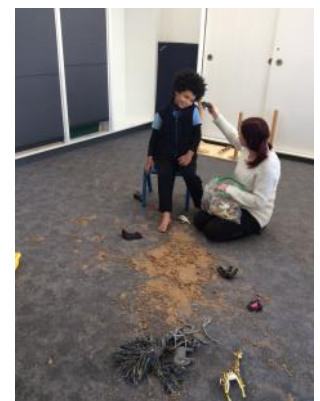
Hope you have all had a fantastic half term week! We

have had a great start to Spring term 2! Our new topic is called 'Fur, Skin and Scales'. We had great fun



doing role-play to the story "We're going on a bear hunt". We have also 'travelled' to Kenya to experience the hot weather, culture, music and dancing as part of our Geography. The children had great fun exploring the Kenyan Safari!

Redvales 4 have had a good week back at school. Joele loved exploring the sand in science.



Redvales 5 Welcome back, we hope you have all had a lovely half term. This week we have been learning all about the fish. In Literacy we have been looking at the book the "Rainbow Fish". We enjoyed sequencing the story, making fish, water play and exploring fish using our smell and touch senses.



Irwell 1 This week Irwell 1 have enjoyed exploring a new story book "Commotion in the Ocean". We have visited the Aquatics centre and have learnt that fish are different colours, shapes, sizes and have scales.



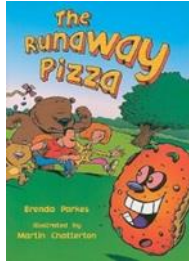
Irwell

2 This week in Irwell 2 we have been working hard on our science skills. We have also been working on weighing in maths.

Redvales 6 have had a wonderful first week back in school! We really enjoyed our sensory story "The Runaway Pizza". We had great fun exploring props, mark making in tomato puree and making delicious pizza faces!



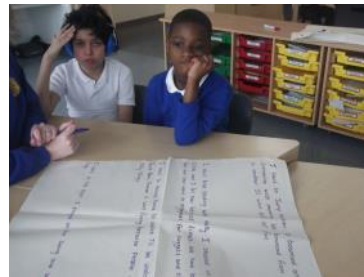
Irwell 3 This week we have been reading the story of "The Runaway Pizza". We all laughed when the family order a take away pizza and it runs away from them. We have made pizzas during our cooking session, which were really tasty and we have also made pizza faces during art. In Music this week we have been focusing on long and short sounds and in PE we have been climbing on the large climbing frame.



Irwell 5 This week in Irwell 5 we have been working together to try to improve our writing. We have been trying to add more detail to make our writing more interesting. To help us with this we have done group based guided writing which we really enjoyed.



Irwell 4 This week we have been doing music in the afternoons. Daniel was super at following an animal sounds score. In Literacy we have enjoyed our story 'Dear Zoo', we have written postcards to the zoo. In Numeracy we have been looking at forwards and backwards and used rulers to measure.



Irwell 6 This week Irwell 6 have had a very busy week. We have had a visit from the fire service, a really fabulous swimming lesson at Radcliffe where we learnt how to 'skull' and a super impromptu play in the snow. Here we are in our playground on Wednesday.



LITERACY AND NUMERACY FUN!

Yusaf has been reading "Zog" by Julia Donaldson and has used clicker to help him re-tell the story by filling in the missing words. He thought it was funny that poor Zog kept hurting himself on every other page. Some of the children in Whitelaw



2 are getting really confident with their reading and are now

able to sequence the main events by themselves. They are also learning to use clicker build sentences about what they have just read.



Bury School Nurses are looking to set up an app/mobile website for their service providing children and young people, parents, carers and professionals with information and advice in various areas. We would like your help in deciding what we should include in our app.

Below is a link to a survey, it should only take a few minutes to complete.

[https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/schoolnursingapp'](https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/schoolnursingapp)

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CHILDREN'S TRUST NEWSLETTER

The latest Children's Trust newsletter can be viewed on the Millwood website.



STARS OF THE WEEK



FS/KS1



Saif K for amazing interaction during a sensory story.



KS1/2



Brent W for responding in French to the question "Comment ça va?" during morning emotion session.

Best wishes
Helen Chadwick
Headteacher