



NEWSLETTER

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A Message from the Head of Pre-Prep

With the end of the first half of the spring term fast approaching, I want to say how proud we all are of the children's commitment, creativity and continued hard work. They have shown great determination to overcome challenges, persevered through problems with enthusiasm and much appreciated encouragement. Thank you from all of us in Pre-Prep for your continued support and understanding, whether at home or in school.

As the days are becoming slightly longer, with lighter mornings and longer evenings, I am filled with joy as I feel spring is coming. I also feel we are getting closer to all being back together in Pre-Prep. We continue to follow government guidance and will keep you updated on any changes but I am hopeful that we will soon all be back in Pre-Prep, together again. Thank you for all the positive comments to the teaching staff, who are in school and at home; they are much appreciated.

Enjoy the half term break with your family. Keep safe, keep smiling and keep looking after each other. - Mr Jory



STARS OF THE WEEK

Well done to this week's Pre-Prep Stars of the Week, who will receive a certificate from Mr Jory.

<u>Pre-School</u> All of Pre-school for fantastic Muddy Puddle Fundraising! Reception Marilin P Jack T <u>Year 1</u> Amelie M Emily and Freya W <u>Year 2</u> Fizzy O Max W

PRE-SCHOOL JUMPING IN PUDDLES CHALLENGE

Every year Millfield Pre-Prep embarks on various tasks to raise money for charity. This week, the Frogs, Tadpoles and Tiddlers have been jumping in muddy puddles to raise money for Cancer Research UK and what an amazing job they have done. The children have had a whale of a time trying to make the biggest puddle splash, and there were quite a few soggy socks at the end of it all! They even jumped in the snow! What superstars! At the time of writing they have raised more than £900 and we have been bowled over by the generosity of our parents and their families and friends. Click here to see a video of the children jumping in puddles! The Catering team even joined in, making a delicious 'Muddy Puddle Cake'!





PRACTISING POSITIVITY

Matilda inspired us this week with her 'grateful' and 'missing' jars. As part of our PHSEE lesson, we have been thinking about positivity and gratitude, and how we can show our family that we are grateful for the little things they are doing to support us. Year 2 were given the challenge to make 'grateful' and 'missing' jars, to focus their minds to all the things they are lucky to have and the things they will try not to take for granted in the future.



TADPOLES FABULOUS FACES

It great to see the children's learning being carried on at home and supported by the parents. **Matilda** and her family were inspired by the Tadpoles' recent funny faces activity and created their own superb, funny faces. The activity linked into learning about the different parts of our bodies and what they do. Great fun and learning all combined into one!



FROGS BRILLIANT BANANA PUDDING

RECEPTION MISSING YOU

The Frogs created a delicious banana pudding for their snack this week. It was linked to learning the sound 'B'. They carefully sliced their banana and added some cream and sprinkles - delicious! We welcome **Raffy** and **Rufus** to Pre-School.

Reception class have been really missing one another, so they decided to send one another messages. Check out what they have to say in the lovely video <u>here</u>. Here's to hopefully being back together safely soon.



YEAR 1 BEAUTIFUL BIRDS

The children in Year 1 have been finding out about different garden birds. Some of them took part in the RSPB Great Big Bird Watch. They were set a challenge to design and make a bird feeder and there were lots of amazing designs. They also made some bird seed cakes to hang in their gardens. Great work, Year 1!

