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MILLFIELD
PRE-PREP SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



MESSAGE FROM THE HEADMASTER

Another fun packed week in Pre-Prep has flown by, with the children in EYFS and Minis learning, singing and acting nursery rhymes. Key Stage 1 have been busy planning and preparing for their open afternoon, where parents are invited to come and see the classroom and share their children's learning with them.

We started the week wearing odd socks in support of Anti-Bullying Week, what an amazing sight and so many odd socks. We hope they found their friend again when they got home. In assembly, we used kind words to build a wall, where each brick represented a kind word. We learnt that it takes lots of kind words to build someone's confidence and to make someone feel happy but one unkind word brings the whole wall back down very quickly. I wonder how many kind words and actions have been shared this week?

The corridors and classrooms have also been full of carols and nativity songs as we start to build up to the end of term productions and carol services. We are hopeful that you will be able to watch these live this year. As we continue to practise and perfect the acting, singing and dancing all we ask is that you put the dates and times in your diary.

We will be finishing the week wearing mufti, sparkles or superhero outfits and dancing all day in support of Children in Need. Thank you in advance for all your support and kind donations via the Just Giving link and £2 to put in the Pudsey pot at drop off. There are going to be some tired Pre-Prep children by the end of the day!

Best wishes,

PRE-PREP DANCEATHON

Tomorrow, Millfield Pre-Prep pupils and staff will be taking part in a Danceathon to raise money for BBC Children in Need! They will be taking it in turns to dance throughout the day from 8:30-3pm! Any donation is much appreciated. Click [here](#) to donate.



KEY DATES

Friday 19 November

EXEAT Weekend

School finishes at 3:15. No clubs, creche or late club.

Christmas production dates for the diary - We are currently planning on inviting parents to our Christmas Productions and hope you will be able to join us. We will be allowing two parents per family to one of the shows.

Wednesday 8 December

KS1 – 9am
EYFS – 10:30am

Thursday 9 December

EYFS – 10am
KS1 – 2pm

PRE-SCHOOL TADPOLES

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After discussing our favourite sandwich fillings at Thursdays snack time, the Tadpoles decided they would like to make their own sandwiches and have a picnic next week. Cheese and ham were the most popular choices! After washing their hands, the Tadpoles busily spread the butter, chose their fillings and sliced their own sandwiches. The sandwiches were enjoyed alongside some mini cheddars and fruit during their very own Tadpole picnic.



PRE-SCHOOL FROGS

Volcanoes have sparked the Frogs interest over the past two weeks. They have been building them and making them erupt. Mrs Wickham demonstrated what happens when a volcano erupts which was very exciting! The children played the fun and popular game of 'floor is lava' where they have to jump or crawl from obstacle to obstacle and avoid falling in the hot lava!



Pre-School have also been celebrating National Nursery Rhyme Week. We have been singing old and new rhymes and painting pictures of our favourite nursery rhyme character. The children especially enjoyed learning the rhyme, "round and round the garden like a teddy bear".



NURSERY RHYME WEEK

In celebration of National Nursery Rhyme Week, the Reception class came in this morning to find a crime scene in their classroom. The children looked for clues to see what and how this could have happened. They eventually worked out that it was Humpty Dumpty who had fallen off his wall. The next task was to work out how he had fallen. There was lots of great answers including the big bad wolf had pushed him off! The children wrote their answer on a brick and stuck it to the wall. Afterwards they made their own Humpty Dumpty and stuck them back to together again with glue, sticky tape and plasters.



PLAYGROUND POLITICS

Watch our most recent episode of Playground Politics, the show where we pass over the news to the Millfield Pre-Prep pupils, to get their opinion on topical issues. This week, Teddy and Grace spoke about Anti-Bullying week and the importance of being nice to each other. To watch the video, click [here](#).



'WE THE CURIOUS'

Year 1 and 2 had a brilliant school trip to 'We The Curious' in Bristol to support our learning about space. The pupils took part in a hands-on workshop where they worked in teams to build and launch a rocket. We learnt about what it would be like without gravity and what life is like on the international space station. The pupils also got the opportunity to explore all of the different exhibits. It was a fantastic day and the pupils were an absolute credit to us.



MINIS NEWS



SPACE AND FIREWORKS

The Minis had great fun turning into astronauts and exploring the space activities set up around the hall. They phoned home from their rocket and played with the moon dough, moulding shapes and making tracks. The Minis used their printing skills to make great firework paintings and they also enjoyed walking, running and riding around the Apple Tree Green.

