

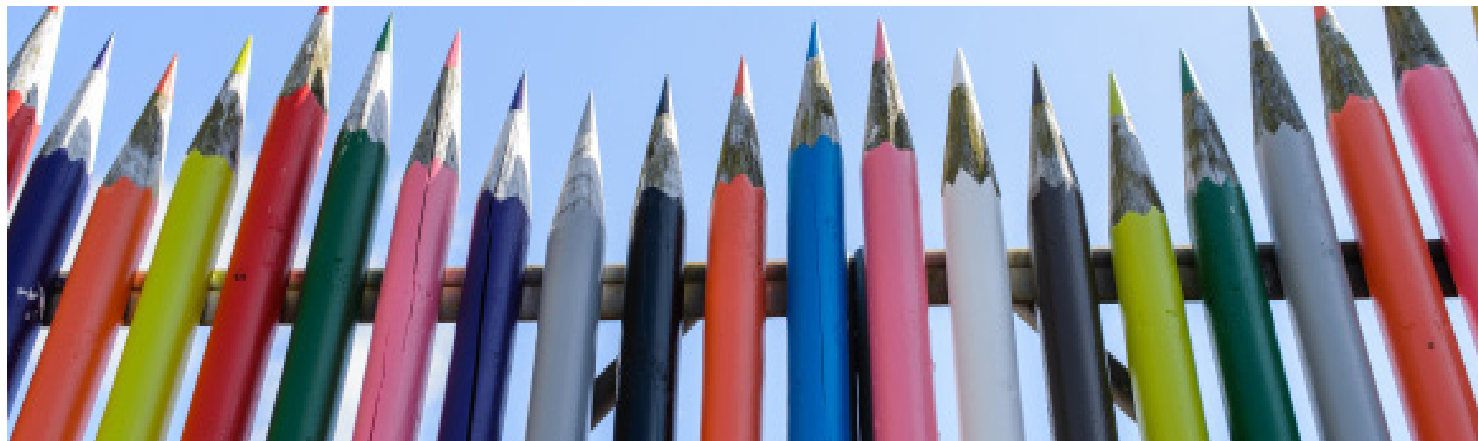


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25 MARCH 2022



MILLFIELD
PRE-PREP SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



MESSAGE FROM MR JORY

What a beautiful and bright week we have had in Pre-Prep, with the sun and the children shining. It has been lovely to be able to spend time in our amazing school grounds, exploring and searching for more signs of spring. The ducks have also joined us on the playground, watching us play with the equipment and bikes with our friends. In assembly, we have been continuing our learning about being thankful and appreciating the things that we have. Reminding us to be kind, well-mannered and to look after our environment and treat everyone with respect.

It has been lovely to see the Frogs and Tadpoles using the new astro area and looking for signs of spring on Apple Tree Green. They are also enjoying the Mr Men and Little Miss stories. Little Miss Sunshine has definitely been with us this week. Reception have continued to make amazing treasure maps for us to explore and used their number bonds to ten, on their role play bus. Year 1 have been writing acrostic poems, learning about length and height using rulers to accurately record their measurements. Year 2 have been learning all about fractions and creating story maps, which they are going to share with the Frogs.

We are all looking forward to celebrating Easter with you next Friday and seeing all of the children's Easter bonnets, going on an Easter Egg Hunt around Pre-Prep and sharing all our learning about Easter through stories and songs.

I hope the sun continues to shine over the weekend and for our final week of the spring term.

Best wishes,
Mr Jory

PRE-PREP SCHOOL

SPRING CONCERT



KEY DATES

Friday 1 April
- 1:30pm
Easter service
in Pre-Prep
Hall

School finishes
at 3:15pm
No clubs,
crèche or late
clubs.

PRE-PREP

WORLD BOOK DAY FUN

For World Book Day the children and parents of Pre-Prep were asked to write down their favourite word or phrase from a loved book at home. They posted their slips into the 'magic box' on the morning of World Book Day and they have now appeared on the gate at the entrance to Pre-Prep. There are all sorts of wonderful, magical and fun words to read as they came in to Pre-Prep this week. Well done of all of the children and parents!



PRE-SCHOOL

SPRING DISPLAYS

The children enjoyed sponging the backgrounds for our spring displays.



FROGS

SIGNS OF SPRING

The Frogs went onto apple tree green to find further signs of spring. They discovered more buds on the trees, primroses, bees and some butterflies on the daffodils, which were exciting to see. The children thought the daffodils looked beautiful so we decided to paint them. We talked about the different parts of the flowers and their colour. Armed with clipboards, paintbrushes and paints, they headed outside to paint the daffodils.



ASTRO FUN

The new equipment for the Pre-Prep School astro is starting to arrive. We have a cosy den, where the children can 'chill out', read stories or rest, traffic signs to control the speeding trikes up and down the astro and a frame to dangle musical instruments from. However, the most exciting thing to arrive is the different sized planks of wood, these have provided lots of fun. The Tadpoles have used them to create roads for their cars, a bridge to crawl along, an obstacle course and a giants castle, to name a few ideas. It's wonderful how a few planks of wood can capture the children's imaginations. I wonder what those planks of wood will be tomorrow, we can't wait to see!



PRE-SCHOOL

SPRING AT HOME

The children were set a home learning challenge over the weekend, to look for signs of spring. This could be in their gardens or out and about in the glorious sunshine. The Pre-School children rose to the challenge and found lots of signs to let us know that spring is here! They spotted buds on the trees and bushes, spring flowers like daffodils, tulips and crocuses, lambs frolicking in fields, flowers growing and heard lots of birds singing. **Margot** used a seed bomb to fill her garden with wild flowers and **Luna** spotted hundreds of tadpoles in her Grandpa and Granny Rachel's pond and sent us a video; they were very wriggly! Great work Pre-School.



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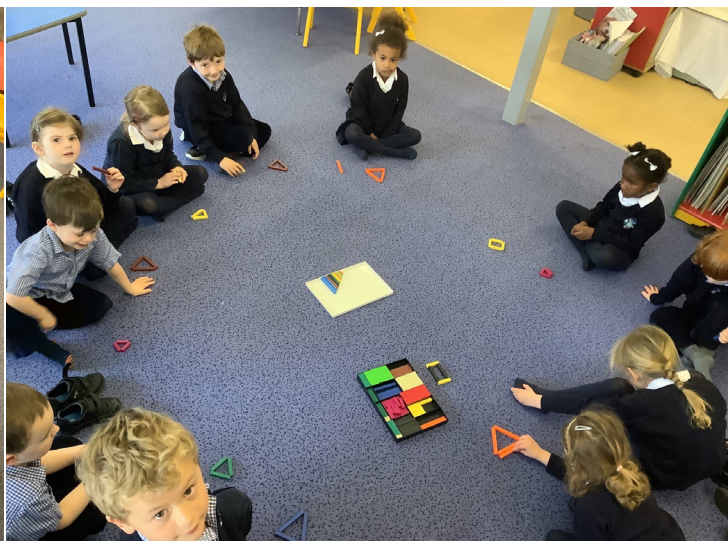
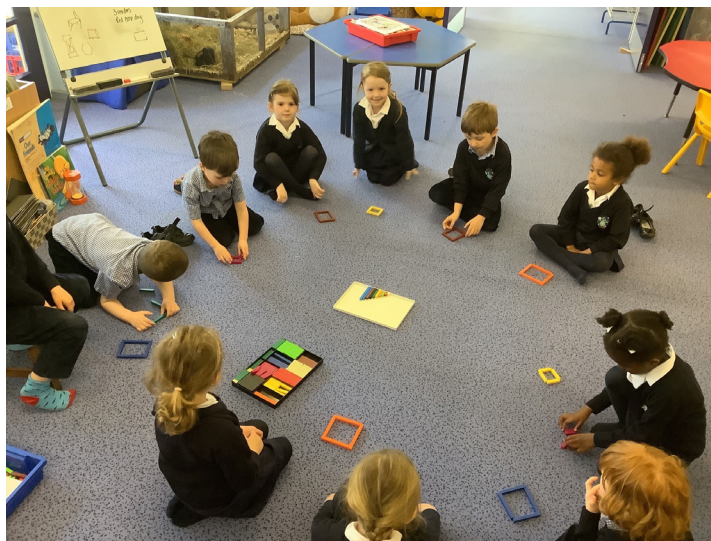
Well done to all of our pupils that performed in the Spring Concert at Millfield Prep School. You should all be incredibly proud of how you played! Well done.



RECEPTION

CUISENAIRE RODS AND MAPPING

Reception this week have been exploring shapes using cuisenaire rods. We have been discussing how many sides and corners different shapes have, what makes the shapes different and how can we change a shape using different length rods. The children used fantastic descriptive language and made lots of different sized shapes.



The children have made fantastic giant sized imaginary maps. One map took you through several challenges before you could move onto the next stage of the map and hopefully all the way to the end to reach the treasure. Watch out for the falling coconuts on your journey!



YEAR 1

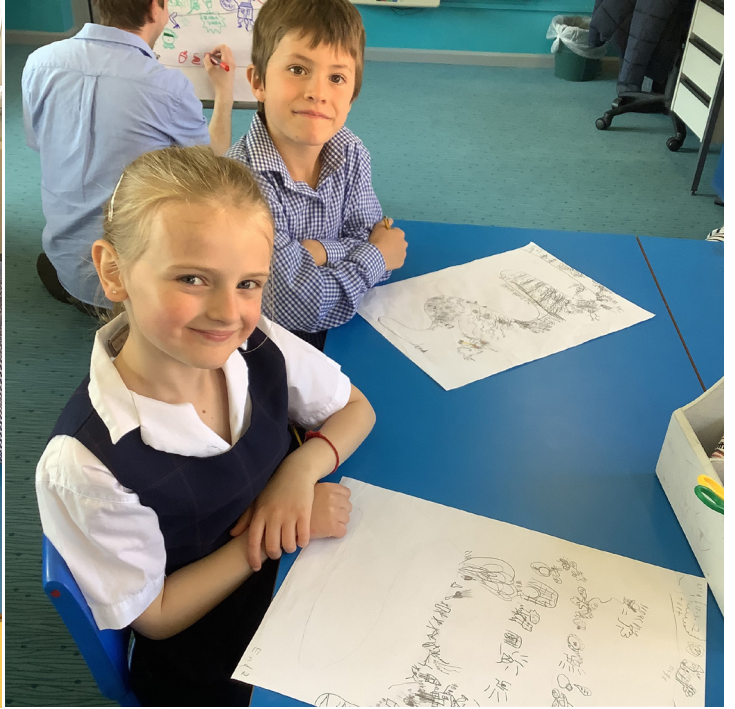
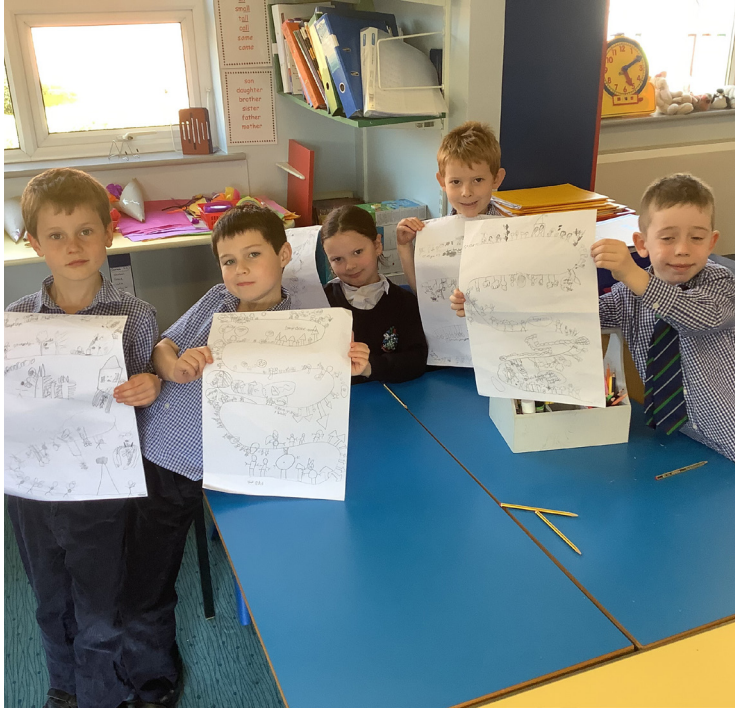
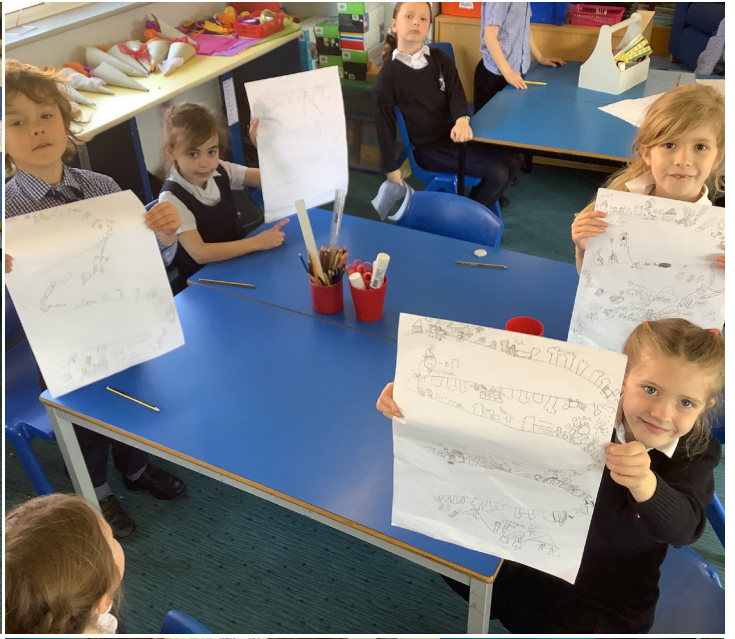
HEIGHT AND LENGTH

This week we have been looking at height and length. We thought about all the different things we could measure. We decided as the sun was shining we would take our learning outside, so we went to Forest School. The children enjoyed measuring the circumference of the trees and the height of the daffodils.



STORY MAPS

Year 2 have been listening to the story of Baba Yaga and the Three Black Geese. They then created their own story maps to help us retell the story with detail and exciting words and voices. Some budding story tellers amongst us in Year 2!



MINIS NEWS



MINIS AT FOREST SCHOOL

The Minis explored Global Recycling Day with some great junk modelling. Some of the Minis made boats which they then tested out in our St Patrick's Day water play station. The Minis loved hopping, running and stomping through our new willow tunnel and making rainbows. Helen made popcorn over the fire for our snack and we listened carefully for the pop...pop...POP! A special well done to our Wednesday Minis who braved the rain in the forest!

