

NEWS CORNER

The latest news and information about
Mulberry Wood Wharf Primary.



24th November 2023

Blue Whale and Tiger Class

This week the children have been investigating what materials and equipment astronauts need to go into space. We have been reading 'Whatever Next' by Jill Murphy and retelling the story. The role play area is astronaut themed and the children have been pretending that they are jetting off in to another galaxy!

The children worked on their mark making and writing skills and planned what they would need for the trip to the moon. They made lists of ingredients for sandwiches which they all prepared and packed for the picnic on the moon.

In preparation for the trip all of the children packed a space helmet (colander) space boots (wellies) a back pack and of course, their teddy form home. Once they landed on the moon they lay out their blankets and gazed at the starry sky.

Soon it was time to return to Tiger and Blue Whale class where the children then drew pictures about their experience on the moon. We cannot wait to see what our next adventure will be!

Updates from Sarah Jane

Another week has flown by and the children have been busy immersing themselves in learning, Panda Class' Dick Whittington day was amazing and Reception couldn't keep their excitement in when they visited the moon.

This week we said goodbye to Ky. Ky has been such an integral part of the Mulberry Wood Wharf team and setting up the school. The children and staff will miss Ky dearly and wish them all the best for the future. Ky will be coming along to the Christmas show on the 19th December if parents would like to say their farewells.

We held our first open event last week welcoming prospective families to join our school. Because we were unable to show them around the new site we created a film that captures all of the wonderful learning that takes place at Mulberry Wood Wharf, you can view it here <https://youtu.be/fWenm2cJeMw>

Panda Class news...

On Monday, characters from the tale Dick Whittington arrived to our classroom. We welcomed Dick Whittington, Mrs Curry, bread makers, cooks, Tom the cat, merchants and Royalty. Children explored the story through role play and explored the skills of retelling and sequencing. The children have listened to songs from the Dick Whittington Panto to understand the feelings of each character to support their inferencing skills.

In Maths, children have been learning the concept of subtraction. They have explored how to subtract using number stories, counters and on a number line. Everyone has been working hard to further their learning by writing number sentences using the correct symbols in the right place.

Our core value focus this week has been creativity and the children have shown and expressed creativity in an abundance, particularly in the role play area which is now a post office.

In the weekly Religious Education lesson the children have been discussing sacred and special places in Islam and then they shared their own sacred and special places. It is wonderful to hear so many ideas on what makes our children feel safe, happy and calm. Noa shared 'Reading a book tucked in my bed is my sacred place'

It was a delight to meet parents this week to tell them all about the amazing achievements their child has made. Everyone engaged in such positive discussions. Thank you for joining in and sharing this milestone of the school year.



STAR OF THE WEEK

This week's value is Creativity

Panda Class' stars:

Adam

For showing us how to draw a spider in different ways and using clear instructions

Yashveer

For sharing your understanding of counting on using number stories. Well done for being creative.

Tiger Class' star:

Dylan

For creating imaginative role plays and projects that he then includes others in his play

Blue Whale class' star:

Amaara

For show an artistic flair when bringing her ideas to life in the art area

In recognition, all children have been given a certificate and their class mascot to take home for the weekend. We are looking to hearing about the adventures they get up to at the weekend.

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

28th November – Tiger Class trip to Mudchute Farm

29th November – Reception phonics workshop

30th November – Y1 advent wrapping session

5th December – Reception costume making workshop

7th December – Blue Whale trip to Mudchute Farm

19th December – Christmas Nativity and show at 10am at 1 Canada Square

21st December – Party day and Pantomime on site

22nd December am – dance academy with Effy (all classes)

22nd December – 1pm finish (no extracurricular clubs or wraparound care)

8th January – Spring term starts

TABLE OF THE WEEK

Every week we reward children for positive behaviors around lunchtime, such as good manners, playing with the resources safely and with kindness, and trying new food. Well done to:

- Aliah (Reception)
- Maria (Y1)
- Dawud (Y1)
- Innaya (Y1)

ATTENDANCE

(Target 97%)

The winning Class this week is

BLUE WHALE CLASS

93%

Tiger – 88%

Panda – 91%

