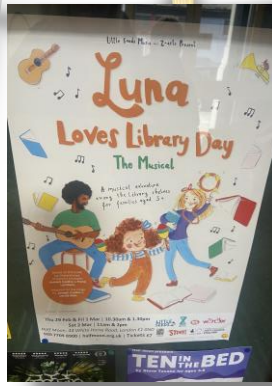


NEWS CORNER

The latest news and information about Mulberry Wood Wharf Primary.



1st March 2024

Updates from Sarah Jane

Blue Whale and Tiger Class news...

As we open a door to Africa the children have been learning all about the difference between life in the UK and life in Africa. The children discussed the safari animals that live in parts of Africa, the different types of fruit that grow there, and how the weather can vary in comparison to the UK. As we gain an understanding of African traditions, we learnt about weaving and how it was part of their culture since 5000BC. Blue whale and Tiger learnt how to weave a 'Checkerboard Weave.'

While we also focus on our topic book 'The gingerbread Man', this week the children baked their own versions of gingerbread men using golden syrup. They worked as a class to create their own recipe and later followed the steps to create their delicious goods. The following week we will be discussing what went well with our recipe, and what could we add to make it better.



It has been another fun filled week of learning at Mulberry Wood Wharf. The sound of the spring show fills the air, and it is sounding so wonderful already, we can't wait for you to see the show on the 14th March, to accommodate parents we will be holding 2 performances at 10am and at 2pm, details on how to book your place will follow next week.

Talking of performances, I had the pleasure of joining Blue Whale and Tiger Class on their trip this week to the Half Moon Theatre to watch 'Luna loves library day'. It was a brilliant show full of singing, acting, and a storyline that included a young girl who loved reading and the imagination it opened. Our pupils were mesmerized and fully immersed throughout the show. Their behavior was excellent, and they showed excellent manners when applauding the performers.

I spent some time looking at the progress of writing in Panda Class this week, to say I was impressed is an understatement, I was utterly blown away! This writing is separate to the phonics sessions and is linked to the literacy lessons they have, each single book I looked at showed that every child has made such significant progress since September. It is really exciting to imagine where they will be by summer! I am going to ask Shireena to publish the most recent writing from 'Oi! Get off my train' in the foyer so that you can all admire.

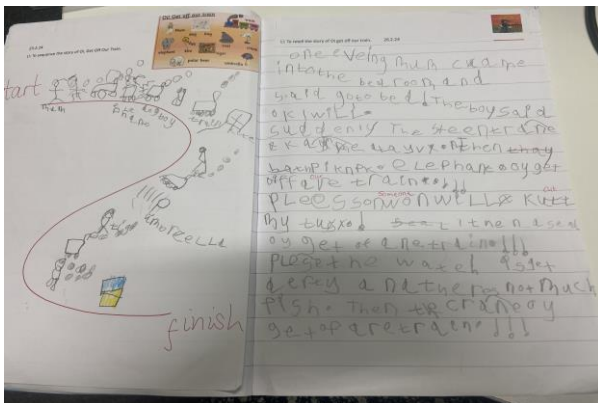


Panda Class news...

Panda Class have been busy writing their retell of 'Oi Get Off Our Train'. They have sequenced and used their story maps to help them write their stories. They have all used the strategy of **think it, say it, write it and check it** to help them structure their writing. Madina, Avyaan and Yashveer read their work to the class. We have focused on re reading our own writing to help us to spot missing words, punctuation or mistakes.

In Maths, we have been using dienes to support our understanding of place value to 50. Frederick shared that the **number before 38 is 37**, I know this because it has 3 tens and 7 ones and that is 1 less one than 38. What a brilliant explanation.

In Science, Panda Class have been working scientifically to carry out a fair test to find the best material for a toddlers dungarees. They tested different materials to see how many times they had to rub the fabric on the concrete before it got torn.



STAR OF THE WEEK

This week's value is **RESPECT**

Panda Class' stars:

Isaa

For respecting our classroom environment

Ria

For respecting her peers and being a great talk partner

Blue Whale Class' star:

Noah

For being respectful towards the school resources.

Tiger class' star:

Valentino

For showing respect to others, especially during assemblies and carpet times, by being a good listener.

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

1st March – Reception offsite visit

5th March – Costume making workshop – Reception classes (9am)

7th March – World Book Day – whole school dress up

8th March – Mww someone special day (details to follow)

11-15th March – British Science Week

12th March – Irish drumming workshop (all pupils)

13th March – Dress rehearsal spring show

14th March – MWW Spring show (10am and 2pm)

18th March – Y1 offsite visit

19th March – Author visit – all pupils + parent workshop at 9am

28th March – School closes for Easter at 1pm

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:

- Mia
- Innaya
- Sophie
- Malcolm

ATTENDANCE (Target 97%)

The winning Class this week is
Blue Whale
95%
Tiger 84.5%
Panda – 85.5%



The new school app is now up and running, please let one of the MWW team know if you would like any support on how to access it



It's the 1st March and Sophie and her family shared their Romanian tradition 'Martisor', the holiday that symbolises the arrival of spring and the revival of nature. The spring flowers and string resemble love, appreciation, friendship and **respect**. Thank you, Sophie, for sharing this with us. We love to hear about family traditions so please come and speak to the team if you have one you would like to share.