

NEWS CORNER

The latest news and information about Mulberry Wood Wharf Primary.



22nd March 2024

Updates from Sarah Jane

Panda Class news...

The sun was shining as Panda Class travelled to the Cutty Sark on Monday. They had a fantastic time exploring all the decks of the glorious ship. They participated enthusiastically to a story session learning about the history of the ship, how it got its name and what life was like on the ship. This trip enhanced our History learning on transport of London. The children took the chance to experience a mode of transport from the past and then compared it to a modern mode of transport as we used the DLR to return to school.

Children have been learning about length and height and measuring using cubes and paperclips (measuring using non-standard units). There was so much excitement to measure objects in the classroom including themselves.

Panda class were memorized by Clare Luther as they engaged in an author visit. Clare's books have quickly become a class favourite in our book corner and some of the characters have made a big impression on the children.

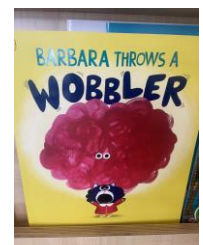
We felt very lucky to receive an author visit this week, a real-life experience where the children got to learn how creative ideas from the mind transfer into books to enjoy, perhaps we have future authors amongst us! I think we do after reading Panda Class versions of 'Oi get off my Train!' what superb writing!

We chose Clare Luther because we really liked her approach towards writing books for young children who might struggle to talk about their big everyday emotions. Her relatable and well-researched books support children to think these emotions through and get meaningful conversations started with their parents and caregivers.

At Mulberry Wood Wharf we think carefully about the wide range of literature and stories we choose and read to children, I have just purchased and read 'Barbara throws a Wobbler' by Nadia Shireen to my own 3-year-old, she finds it funny and although she doesn't fully understand the meanings, she can relate to parts of the story, and she will make comments about the characters feelings.

If you would like to purchase any of Clare's books, then you can click here:

<https://clareluther.co.uk/>



Blue Whale and Tiger Class news...

This week the children have been learning about how some families are marking Ramadan. We have talked about fasting, praying and spending time reflecting the teachings in the Qur'an. The children have enjoyed sharing how their families are celebrating and taking about the delicious food they are eating during iftar.

On Tuesday the children were visited by Clare Luther, a children's author. She spoke to the children about what an author is. Allegra said, "You put the letters on the pages" and Mabel said, "You tell children stories." Clare introduced all the characters in her books before choosing to read the story about Gus, a black labrador who worries about trying new experiences. The children loved joining in with the story and Clare's enthusiasm during the session.

The children have been learning to retell the story of the Little Red Hen and all the hard work she put into making the bread. They have begun making story maps to help retell the story to their friends. On Friday, the children made bread using the recipe from our story. They mixed the flour, kneaded the dough, watched it rise and then baked the bread. The children loved eating their buttered bread while it was still warm.



STAR OF THE WEEK

This week's value is

Being Active

Panda Class' stars:

Vytis

For always playing fairly at playtimes and actively thinking of others.

Uzair

For actively taking part in PE by following instructions.

Blue Whale Class' star:

Amaara

For being an active listener and always being a helping hand

Tiger class' star:

Liam

For being an active learner and implementing his phonics outside of carpet sessions.

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

26th March – 97%+ attendance disco

28th March – School closes for Easter at 1pm

15th April – Return to school

24th April – Panda Class offsite visit

7th May – Duckling eggs arrive

13th May – Photographer in/class photos

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:

- Chloe
- Dawud
- Siyuan
- Nairah

ATTENDANCE (Target 97%)

The winning Class this week is
Blue Whale – 94%

Panda – 92%
Tiger – 89%



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

Invites to the attendance party will go out on Monday 25th March – children with 97% + for the spring term

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26TH MARCH - IN THE MAIN HALL
DISCO AND PARTY GAMES

PREPARE YOUR BEST DANCE MOVES!
& BRING YOUR PARTY CLOTHES!