

# Newsletter

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# Happy First Birthday Mabel

On Monday, we celebrated Mabel's First Birthday. She seemed to embrace the day and had a very long snooze in the evening after the excitement of it all! Today, we celebrated the winners of the portrait competition and they received their prizes in assembly. The children enjoyed the special menu and although Mabel wasn't welcome for lunch, she did enjoy various children visiting her throughout the day with strange crunchy paper packages which smelt yummy and enjoyed an extra run in the meadow. With your support we raised flar for the National Animal Welfare trust so thank you for your support!





## **Red Class**



Red Class have been learning all about old and new bears and their different features! We have enjoyed having our visitor, 'Bear' in Red Class and couldn't believe our eyes when we arrived in class and Bear was having a teddy bears picnic in class with his teddy friends.



We decided it would be nice to invite our own bears, so we wrote some invitations in class and then had a challenge to read them at home to our own bears, ready to bring them into school for our very own teddy bears picnic! We made some sandwiches to take with us and had a lovely morning with our bears exploring the woodland area, sharing stories and eating our picnic.





In Maths, we have been learning that bigger numbers are made up by smaller numbers. We have been layering Numicon to show our understanding and then creating our number sentences to show our understanding in abstract form.







Look at our bear!

Our Victorian School has been very popular this week with the children creating a story in their play to recreate the scene of a school in the past. They have taken turns to be the teacher and the pupil, thinking about what life would have been like in school many years ago.



This week we have been learning all about materials and how things are made with a focus on old and new toys. We sorted a variety of toys, making links between their age and the material used.













We thought of some good alliteration for the word Mabel... Marvellous Mabel Mínníe Mouse Mabel Míní Mabel Magíc Mabel









We loved celebrating Mabel's birthday on Monday. We enjoyed a lovely visit from Mabel herself in the afternoon and had fun painting pictures of her for the school competition. Our favourite part was making the shade of brown 'just right' by mixing our own colours based on our observations.

# Yellow Class

Enjoy a little sample of what we have been up to over the last couple of weeks...



Learning about apostrophes for contractions.



We have been really impressed with their Reading Karate progress lately. Well done Yellow!





Letters to Queen Victoria.

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Gymnastics!



Well done to Amy for her Zoe the Zebra relating award last week!











### **Green Class**



#### Over the last fortnight ...

Green Class has done so BRILLIANTLY with their **poetry writing** that we wanted to show it off. We organised a **Year 3/4 Poetry Slam**, so they could share some of their FANTASTIC poems with Blue Class! We have been so impressed with the children's imagination, creativity and enthusiasm.

In Science, we have explored how shadows are formed and experimented to find out which shapes we could make. We learnt out about transparent, translucent and opaque materials and investigated which ones make the best shadows and why. We also looked at reflections and how mirrors work.

We have found out how to change verbs from present to past tense — some were really tricky ...

we've sketched pictures of Mabel for her 1st birthday!

In Maths, we've been finding out about different ways to multiply 2 digit numbers by 1 digit numbers.



### **Blue Class**

In Blue Class, we have been exploring Victorian transport, housing and more recently, food. We enjoyed creating a poster to advertise our very own Victorian shop, before having the opportunity to work as a team and create a Victoria Sandwich. We thoroughly enjoyed being 'hands on' in our learning and the end result was delicious.















We were all extremely excited on Mabel's birthday and thoroughly enjoyed drawing our own portraits of her. We have recently started to walk Mabel on a Thursday afternoon and the children who have been selected to do this so far have been an excellent help and really enjoyed themselves. When we explored Victorian housing, we looked into the different sources of light that were available to the Victorians. After this, we had a go at creating our own circuit with buzzers, light bulbs, motors and batteries.







All of us are extremely proud of Olivia Carpenter who is the first member of Blue Class to complete the 'Gold 99 Club.' Olivia has worked very hard and shown excellent levels of resilience in order to achieve this. We were overjoyed that she even received a 'Head Teacher's Award' for her fantastic achievement.



## Indigo Class



### Silhouette Portraits

Indigo Class have been creating 'silhouette' portraits which were popularised during the Victorian era. First they practised creating silhouettes using tracing paper. They then created shadows to form a silhouette of their partner using torches. Finally, they filled the inside of their portraits with words, colours and images associated with their partner's personality.





Violet Class



As we get ready for a well earned half-term break we would like to pass on how impressed we have all been with every single learner in Violet Class. Everyone has worked super-hard and always with a smile on their face. You are all rock stars!









This week saw the girls take on St Mary's School in a game of netball (High 5's). Mrs Millard and Mrs Flores have done a brilliant job with the girls and were so proud to see them play so well and enjoy themselves so much-they also won, which is always nice. Early morning maths club has been a huge success this week. It's such a lovely way to start the day for all of us. This 08:15 start for Violet Class will run every day until SATS.



