

Mount Pleasant Extra!

Newsletter 20th September 2024

Dear Parents

We have had some really exciting learning going on in school this week which has really engaged the children. This means that Commerson class have started to become building and home experts! KS2 have started to learn the Ukulele and have developed their scientific skills. Thank you for supporting your child with Ukulele practise at home, this really makes a difference to joining in with the lessons.

In Commerson Class:

Last Friday, Commerson Class had a visit from Keith, the building site manager. He was interviewed by the Year 2 children who asked their prepared questions well and listened attentively to the answers. Then, the rest of the class were able to ask questions before going out to see some vehicles.

FS2s and Year 1s have enjoyed the large blocks outside this week. Everyone has been developing their knowledge of homes: FS2s thought about appropriate objects in different rooms of the home; the year 1s and 2s learnt about the changes of homes within living memory.

FS2s have learnt to colour mix and to use the equipment correctly for this.

Everyone has learnt about materials with the year 1s and 2s having to sort and label materials.











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In Orca Class:

A very busy week in Orca Class with our highlight being taking part in the 'Live Lesson' with 'Developing Experts'. On Wednesday, we gathered our equipment ready to do an experiment, following the guidance of scientists online. Our key question was 'Which mixture of bicarbonate of soda and acid will create the most foam?'. We first made our predictions before carrying out a baseline test where we all used the same variables. After this, we then went on to change one variable whilst keeping the rest the same to ensure it was a fair test. We then went outside to see if we could create a bigger foam explosion using larger quantities! We had so much fun! Well done Orca Class - there was some great scientific thinking going on as well as excellent partner work.



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Join your child in Learning Friday 27th September at 9:00-10:15.

The first opportunity to join your child in learning session, will be on Friday 27th September at 9:00-10:15. This session is open to all classes, we look forward to welcoming you all.



Dates for your Diary

Further dates will be added to the newsletter as events are arranged.

- Friday 27th September 0900-1015 Join Your Child in learning session
- Wednesday 2nd October 1315 MPS children join the Big Salute Mile-a-thon with a sponsored walk up and down the corridor. Please note change of date
- Tuesday 8th October Whole school trip to Stanley
- Wednesday 16th October Parents' evening details to follow
- Monday 21st October Friday 25th October Half term holiday
- Monday 28th October 2nd half term starts for children
- Monday 11th November Remembrance details to follow
- Monday 2nd December 1430 Christmas tree decorating families welcome
- Wednesday 4th December Christmas lunch TBC
- Tuesday 10th December 1415 Children perform Christmas play for Patch community
- Thursday 12th December School finishes at 1300 for Christmas break
- Tuesday 7th January 0845 Term starts for children

Term time and holiday dates for the academic year 2024-25 can be found on the school website.

Wishing you all a relaxing weekend from all at MPS.