



Mount Pleasant Primary School
Year 2 Half-Termly Newsletter

June-July
2018

Our News

The last half term has zoomed by and we are so pleased that the children have been so hardworking and engaged in their learning. They really have made us proud and coped very well with changes to timetables and completing their 'quizzes'. We are looking forward to completing this summer term with more amazing things to inspire our amazing class!

The children particularly enjoyed our 'Royal Wedding' focus week where we learnt about the Royal family - incorporated with British Values and history.

Our Year 2 curriculum is on our website for you to be able to see what we will be learning but some of the highlights will be: as scientists we will continue to learn about plants and growing things and we will be nurturing our very own butterflies and releasing them into the wild; in RE we will learn about miracles in bible stories; as historians and geographers we will be visiting the Glass Cone at Wordsley to investigate the local area; as artists we will be colour mixing and learning about textures in art and creating pneumatic objects in DT. We would love it if the children could find out about what 'pneumatics' means and identify toys and things in life that use pneumatics to work. This term we will also have a 'Science' and 'Arts' week where the children will be completing fun and exciting activities to inspire them in each topic!

You can support your child this half term by:

Reading

During this half term, we will be continuing to work on reading for meaning. The children will be working on lots of different tasks to show that they can use their comprehension skills well. We will be asking them to tell us:

- What evidence can you find in the text and pictures to explain predictions?
- Can you spot adjectives, nouns and verbs in the text?
- Where is the action in the book and which words or phrases show action?
- Which words or phrases do you like best and why?
- Can you find facts?
- Can you find opinions?

Please try out some of these questions with your child and record their answers in their reading journal.

Don't forget the Book Fair in school from Tuesday 10th July!

Remember: **Children who read well, do well!**

Writing

We will be really concentrating on using interesting and exciting vocabulary in our writing this half term. We are particularly interested in making sure that we use the correct terminology in science and geography and history so that our writing sounds professional and even more clever! Our handwriting continues to be on high focus so that we can achieve a handwriting pen near the start of Year 3. To do this the children need to be able to:

- write using our lead-ins and flicks;
- join many of our letters;
- show upper case letters clearly;
- write tall letters tall and small letters small at all times;
- present their writing neatly across the curriculum.

We do have some children who are very close to this – so keep doing your best – you never know, you may get a pen before the end of this term!

Maths

This term we will be consolidating our learning of all four operations (+ - x ÷) and using the methods learnt to solve one and two step word problems in preparation for Year 3. So please keep on practising number bonds to 10/20, counting in multiples of 2, 3, 5 and 10 and doubles and halves of numbers up to 20. It is vital that the children practise these skills little and often to keep these skills sharp, especially for next year.

We will also be focusing on shape, position/direction and data handling. So please continue to practise identifying the names and properties of 2D and 3D shapes and vocabulary related to position/direction e.g. full, half, quarter, three quarters of a turn, clockwise and anti-clockwise.

You can access fun maths games by using:

www.interactiveresources.com

Username: Year 2 MP

Password: Charlie

Maths Challenges: Fridays

Believe it, Achieve it!

 Let's Celebrate! 

Class Stars of the Week:

Ryley, Leo, Max, Lilly, Lilly-Rose, Oliver P and Lola,

Stars of the week:

English Star:

Amira, Ruby, Olívía, Ethan and Kiera,

Reading Star:

Frankie, Jayden J and Lilly-Rose,

Maths Star:

Caleb, Lilly E, Alexander M, Zach W

Super Maths Challenger:

Georgía, Adasyn, Lilly E, Freddie and Hasfa

Handwriting Star:

Frankie, Max, Zach P and Harry

Sports Star:

Ellísía and Chloe

Spelling Challenges:

Grace, Lucas, Anaís, Caleb, Ellísía, William, Ryley, Leo, Max, Adasyn, Alex Edwards, Lilly, Jacob, Noah, Hafsa, Renae, Freddie, Oliver C, Ethan, Lauren, Zach P, Harry, Shawrií-Leigh, Finley, Lola, Tyler, Hayden, Ian, Zach W, Ben, Oliver P, Matílda, Casey, and Olívía.

Maths Challenges:

Amira, Anías, Ellísía, William, Ryley, Leo, Max, Adasyn, Ruby, Lilly C, Jacob, Matílda, Ethan, Lauren, Michelle., Isabel, Molly, Oliver P, Renae, Harry, Shawrií, Lola, Freddie, Tyler, Hayden, Corey, Hafsa, Zach W and Ben

Pupil of the Month

Ethan and Georgía

Kindness Award

Ian and Renae

Look at our learning across the curriculum!



Dates for diary:

Monday 11th June - Science Week

Wednesday 13th June- Class Photographs

Friday 29th June- Wizard of Oz Performance

Monday 2nd July- Arts Week

Tuesday 10th July- Book Fair arrives in school

Wednesday 11th July- Learning Journey/ 'Meet the Teacher' 3.00-4.00pm

Thursday 12th July - Reports out

Tuesday 17th July - Sports Day

Monday 16th July- Optional Parents Evening 4.00-5.00pm

Friday 20th July END OF TERM

June/July/August Birthdays

A very happy 7th birthday to:



Georgia Grace Caleb Isabel Lilly E

Harry Molly Jacob

Lilly M Ruby