

Classroom News



Class Name: Windsor Term : Autumn 1 2018

Whole School Topic: What's on your plate?

What we have been learning

We are working really hard on independence skills in Windsor class. Students are now able to get out their own equipment ready for lessons and order their own lunches. We are cooking simple meals and snacks in cooking such as beans on toast and cheese on toast that we can begin to make for ourselves. We are writing recipe books, with all our new recipes in, which we can take home at the end of the year.

We have been learning about jobs in school and have been interviewing people including Jon, Chris the caretaker and Gian in the office, to find out how they help us and keep us safe. We are having a visit from Newbury fire brigade on Friday, to find out how they help us.

Windsor class have been going out in the local community on Monday afternoons and then writing and talking about what we have seen. Our trips are really helping to develop our writing and communication skills, because we can use real experiences to give us ideas and a purpose for our writing. They are also helping us to be independent when we are out in the community, for example ordering our own drinks in a café.

We have learned how to behave whilst working by checking that café staff are smiley, have clean hands and smart uniforms. We have used this knowledge to help set up our own café for other classes to visit. It has been a great success, and we should have enough money for our McDonalds trip soon!

We have been working really hard in class and with Claire the speech therapist on our listening and looking skills. We have a class mascot called Toby who helps us – we love him! We are getting better, but it would be great if we could practice our good looking and listening at home, through playing games and family meal times together.

In maths, we have been working hard with our money skills and have been applying these skills at the shops and paying for swimming. We also made tally charts and bar charts to find the most popular food and drink to sell in our café. Most recently we have been using Roly and Ben the robots to help us with our counting and number bonds (We named Ben ourselves! He is a very funny and helpful robot!)

Have a lovely half term, we look forward to seeing everyone back after a nice rest.

Some photos of our learning



Special Moments

Our new Windsor students have settled in really well and we have had lots of proud moments and firsts. Here are a couple: Frankie got in the big pool at Northcroft and went underwater for the first time. Ollie asked for, and paid for, his own drink for the first time in Sainsbury's café. Well done boys, you did it!

Dates

End of half term and firefighter visit - Friday 19th October.

First day back Tuesday 30th October

Monday 12th November – trip to see Early Man at the Corn Exchange cinema (free for into film festival) with McDonalds for lunch afterwards. (No lunch or money needed that day.)

INSET day – Friday 30th November