

Classroom News



Class Name: Windsor

Term: Term 4 2023-2024

Topic: Through the Keyhole

What we have been doing this term:

Some photos of us!

Windsor took part in an exciting story project with Newbury library. We have visited Newbury library, who gave us 5 books to review and complete activities about. We have been reading the books, as sensory stories, and have completed lots of work based on the stories, which is now displayed at Newbury Library, until the start of the Easter holidays, if you . We went back the library to look at our display. The librarian was impressed with the range of ways we explored the books and communicated our preferences. She liked our monster designs.

We have continued to write and talk about our trips and experiences. We use switches, communication aids, Makaton and our voices, to communicate. This term we have been to Aldi for pancake ingredients, to the Garden centre to buy plant seeds, to The Works for our world book day books, and to Pausa café.

We have been working very hard as a team, towards the Agricultural Challenge and will have four entries for the final in May. We have made a weather collage, have made herb planters, nature themed pebbles, and will be making herb scones with our herbs next term. (We are hoping they grow a bit bigger before then. We are very pleased with our entries, and hope the judges like them too.

We have also been exploring the forest area, and communicating our choices. We joined our link class, Danby, in the woods for world book day. We read "Where's my Teddy, and hunted for teddies in the woodland area, with Charles playing teddy songs, on his accordion. We then put all the teddies to bed, like they do in the story. It was lovely



to join Danby and see everyone interacting with each other, and we hope to see them again soon.

Windsor class have been making patterns with numbers and shapes this term. We have also been practicing our money skills in our snack shop lessons. We have started to explore weight, and have been comparing and ordering heavy and light objects. We have also been working on measuring weight in our cooking lessons, and when making playdough.

In cooking lessons, we have been exploring food from special events. We made pancakes first. Then we learned about Chinese New year and acted out the Chinese new year story. We liked the brightly coloured dragons and sparkly costumes. We made Chinese new year firework fruit kebabs, and sticky marshmallow rice krispie cakes. We have also make Easter nests, and are entering the Easter Bake off.

In PSHE, we have been talking about people who can help us, including doctors and dentists.

We have been learning about Annual health checks, and know that everyone at The Castle School, age 14 or over, can have a health check, with their GP each year. We have written letters, using symbols, to our GP's to tell them who we want to come with us and what support we need. We will send home copies of the letters, so that you can use them, if you wish, when you take your child to their health check.

We have also been learning about going to the dentist, and keeping our teeth clean and healthy.

We hope you have a lovely Easter holidays. We are looking forward to lots of exciting trips and activities next term.



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| | <p>Dates & Points to remember:</p> <p>End of term –Thursday 28th March Start of Summer term 1 – Monday 15th April May Bank Holiday – Monday 6th May</p> <p>Trips and activities Monday 15th April – food tasting, messy play and food likes and dislikes in class. Monday 22nd April Shopping for Scone ingredients in Aldi Monday - 29th April scone tea party for senior management Thursday 9th May – Agricultural Challenge Final at Arlington Arts – buffet lunch provided. 13th May – biscuits in Donnington park 20th May – trip to Costa to spend our Agricultural challenge prize money.</p> |
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