



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the second half of our Spring term. We have welcomed some wonderful weather at the start of the term, which unfortunately didn't remain! However the children have been making the most of it as usual.

The children settled back very quickly into their learning last week and this week has been very eventful indeed.

On Monday, Craig the Story Teller came into school and every year group had the opportunity to participate in his wonderful story telling.

On Tuesday the Reception children went to all the way to the Natural History Museum. Myself and Ms Carter were lucky to be able to attend and the children had a most enjoyable time. I would like to thank the teachers for organising such an ambitious trip and all the parents that came along to support the children.



On Thursday we celebrated world book day, and the children and teachers came in to school dressed as their favourite book characters. Reception joined the rest of the school for assembly delivered by our very own and very real and slightly horrifying Mrs Twit herself!

I have seen some lovely work around the school, poems in year 1 and some amazing creations and drawing in the Nursery again!

The teachers and children also decorated their doors for world book day. Reception's was 'The day the Crayons Quit' by Drew Daywalt and Oliver Jeffers.





NURSERY



We also celebrated Shrove Tuesday by making pancakes and eating them at the snack table.



What a busy week we have had in nursery! We have been celebrating World Book Week by reading 'Room on the Broom' and enjoying the wonderful door display created by Mrs Cox. The children have been making their own spells with natural resources from the garden, creating their own wands and retelling the story in their own words. Please come and see all the wonderful work your children have been doing on our door display.

We are in need of empty boxes, lids, corks, buttons, old greeting cards and old towels. We would be grateful for your unwanted treasures.

RECEPTION

We have had such a busy and exciting week in Reception this week!

On Monday, Craig the Storyteller told us a very funny story about a farmer who couldn't get to sleep because of all of the noisy animals. The children really enjoyed joining in with the animal noises and actions.





we also looked closely at our new caterpillars.



Both Rhys and Zac made some lovely observations of our caterpillars and recorded what they had seen by writing a sentence and making a detailed drawing to go in their caterpillar diaries.

On Tuesday we had our long awaited trip to The Natural History Museum. We all enjoyed the Super Stegosaurus Workshop, learning about Sophie the Stegosaurus, then becoming apprentice palaeontologists trying to rebuild a stegosaurus skeleton. It wasn't an easy task but the children worked very well in their teams, identifying where the larger plates should go, noticing that they got smaller as they got nearer to the tail. We visited the Dinosaur exhibition and were captivated by the animatronic T-Rex. The children noticed lots of features of the different types of dinosaurs as we examined the skeletons and fossils. Thank you so much to all of the parents who helped on the trip, we really appreciate all your help and hope you enjoyed it as much as the children and staff did!

'Caterpillar in the pot'.

The caterpillar is black.'



We have also enjoyed World Book Day. The children listened to lots of stories and many of them dressed up as their favourite characters. Thanks for your support at home, reading to your child every day really helps to develop their language, imagination and storytelling.

Wow! What a week!

On Wednesday we were busy hunting worms in the field to add to our new wormery and

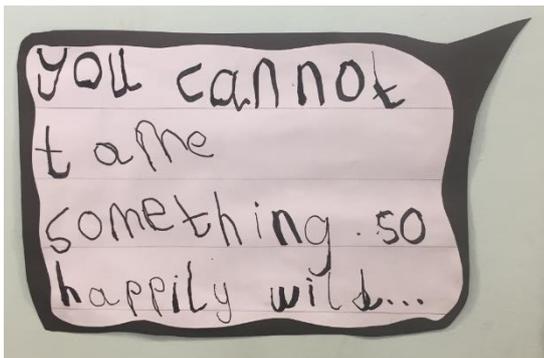


Year 1

In Year 1 we've been reading Wild by Emily Hughes.

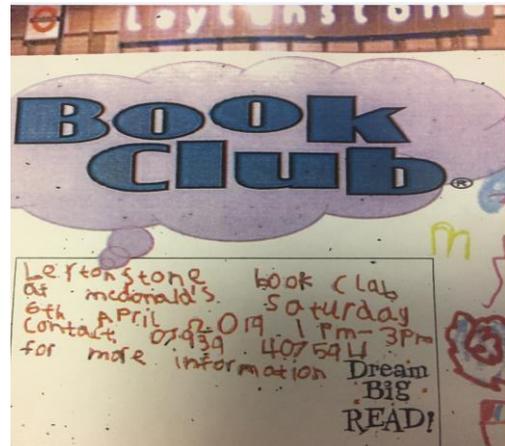


We spent lots of time working on our door, making it look like the woods and writing newspaper articles about the Wild Girl.



We also have been learning about multiplication by using concrete resources.

Also from Year 1, Mary is going to run a book club! Please see below for the details.



WEEKLY DATES

Monday mornings - 9.00am - English conversation classes – these classes are free to all members of the school community.

Wednesday mornings - 9.00 – 10.45 – Toddler Group. Please come and join in the fun. This session is open to all friends and family in the local area.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

MARCH

Friday 15th Science Fair

Friday 29th – Mums in school for Mother's day.

APRIL

Thursday 4th April – Easter Egg Hunt

Friday 5th April – Easter Bonnet parade
School closes at 1.30 pm

Friday 5th April – Nursery reduced hours, finishes the same time as the main school;

AM 8.45 – 10.45
PM 11.30 – 1.30
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