

# Purple Class

## Autumn B



Wow. What another busy half term we have had. It has been full of exciting learning and the children have been making excellent progress in all areas of the Curriculum. In Writing, the class has been learning about dialogue in historical stories, performance poetry and recently, they have been writing their own Christmas calamity stories based on the wonderful Sainsbury's advert 'Mog's Calamity'. The children turned them into real illustrated books that will be coming home with them at Christmas. In Reading, we have explored the most beautifully illustrated book called 'Leon and the place between' and because the main theme was magic, we learnt our own little magic tricks using our comprehension skills.

We also participated in a recycling workshop provided by Evri Education where we played games and learnt about recycling. Even the adults learnt a thing or two.

We have also finished our thoroughly enjoyable Stone Age to Bronze Age topic by spending an afternoon in the woods, completing Stone Age activities. It was a great afternoon where everybody challenged themselves

We have also experienced our first woodland sessions and some parents joined us for the fun too. The children made the most of every minute. Activities included making hedgehogs, den building, tree climbing, mud kitchen recipes and much much more! We also had a special day dedicated to our Anti-Bullying week. We learnt a poem by Alan Ahlberg called Please Mrs Butler and performed it using facial expressions and actions. The class then wrote diary entries about it. The class then created collages of the most beautiful hearts, all unique and special in their own way, just like each and every one of us. The hearts have made a beautiful display in the main corridor. Look out for it next time you visit. They ended their day watching a touching animation called 'Chrysanthemum' by Kevin Hanks. Each child held a heart whilst watching and every time something mean was said to the main character, they made a fold in the heart. At the end of the session they were asked to get rid of the creases in their hearts. They couldn't. This showed the effect words can have on people and once you say something, you cannot take it back.

To help us get into the Christmas spirit, we have been making Christmas Fudge, gift bags, cards and calendars as well as learning about the importance of giving at Christmas. A nice reminder that it isn't all about what we will be receiving.



Merry Christmas everyone! Miss Monck.



As a class, we have thoroughly enjoyed our Science topic of Animals including Humans this half term. We have loved learning new facts about the body and how it works. In one of our sessions, the children were given the task of designing and making their own creation to protect a hard boiled egg, using a variety of different objects. All of the children's designs were fantastic. Unfortunately, not all of the eggs remained whole after they had been tested. However, the children were then able to discuss what they would do differently, if they had to complete in future. Also as part of this topic, the children loved learning all of the bones in the human body. An adult person has 206 bones in their body with babies having more at 300. All of the class, got to create their own human skeleton, out of white straws. All of the skeletons looked amazing! Miss Bagg.

