



# PRINCE OF WALES

PRIMARY SCHOOL & CHILDREN'S CENTRE



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*Listening Excellence Attitude Respect Negotiate Enjoy Responsible Support*

### Year 4 Art Project for The Magic Wallpaper

As part of the recent Book Week, Year 4 has been creating some of the animals that feature in the story. All the children created an individual gibbon from wire, newspaper and wallpaper paste and then they painted them with acrylic bronze paint. The sculptures were based on the artwork by Alberto Giacometti. Across the 3 classes we also created 3 large sculptures of an elephant, a zebra and a giraffe, which we are going to place outside the classrooms in a rainforest habitat.

Mrs Hammond - 4H class teacher



Dear Parents and Carers,  
We are inviting you to join a working party to help organise a variety of activities during our **Cultural Fortnight** (23<sup>rd</sup> June to 4<sup>th</sup> July). Please come along to our coffee morning on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April from 9 to 10am to find out how you can get involved.

Thank you,  
Miss Paddon – AHT and Inclusion Leader

### Values-based Education at Prince of Wales

Philosophers like Aristotle, Buber and Montessori were interested in children's moral education. Their ideas have formed the foundation of Values-based Education. Aristotle (384-322 BC) argued that education has two aims; to develop a child's intellect and to provide them with a moral education. These two aims also form the philosophy of Values-based Education. Aristotle believed that moral education was taught through 'active guidance by parents and teachers'. For example, parents and teachers can engage in moral and reflective discussions with the children. We can all practise positive Values around school and at home. Aristotle also believed the sole aim of a school's curriculum was the 'pursuit of happiness'...do you agree? What do you think are the aims of education?

Next Week: Maria Montessori – Is school a bridge between home and community?

Mrs Stylli – P4C Co-ordinator



### Maths Mentors

6 Children have volunteered to be Maths Mentors for some Year 2 children. We played Snakes and Ladders to help counting on, and to have some fun with them. Year 6 thought it was fun too!

Denvir Ibrahim – 6B



### Value of this Month: ENTHUSIASM

This week

These children received a certificate and baton for demonstrating enthusiasm at Prince of Wales this week, well done: Serkan 1M, Adam 1N, Mei-Lien 1S, Ali 2G, Helin 2R, Ahlan 3D, Shko 3G, Arda 4F, Melin 4H, Cavarsey 4S, Samuel 5H, Shenel 5S, Darrel 5T, Charlotte 6A and Amaree 6B.

### Attendance this week

#### Years 1,2,3 Family

1M 89.33% 2C 95.00%  
1N 93.00% 2G 95.00%  
1S 94.67% 2R 87.67%

3D 94.67%  
3G 96.25%\*

#### Years 4,5,6 Families

4F 96.98%\* 5H 94.64% 6A 93.97%  
4H 93.75% 5S 93.53% 6B 91.94%  
4S 96.15% 5T 92.86%

Well done to **3G & 4F** for best attendance this week.

School Target: 95.5%

Overall attendance since September: **95.09%**



## Science Corner - Nursery

This week we discovered a robin's nest under the climbing walkway in our garden! The children have been carefully observing the mummy and daddy flying to and from the nest with their beaks full of worms and insects. We have also learnt that we need to play quietly near the nest or the parents make a terrible noise to try and scare us away! Nursery have also been busy planting potatoes in the vegetable patch - please encourage your children not to run over the patch please!

PS We visited the chicks in Yellow Class too.

*Miss Hankin – Nursery teacher & EYFS coordinator*

Dr Bike is back on Monday 31<sup>st</sup>. You must have a confirmation slip to participate.



Mr and Mrs Robin bring food to their chicks that wait under the climbing equipment



Close up to wildlife



Growing our own

The total raised for Sport Relief so far is £500.00!

## Behaviour Management

Dear Parents and Carers,

As part of Prince of Wales' plan to continually improve the behaviour of all children after the Easter holidays we will be introducing a few changes in how behaviour will be managed at lunch times. The following arrangements will be in place after Easter for pupils who are entered onto our behaviour log for poor behaviour, such as hitting, kicking or hurting another child:

- Children who receive **3** entries in a 4 week period – escorted lunch
- Children who receive **4** entries in a 4 week period – letter home and 1 week participation in a lunchtime club run by one of our learning mentors
- Children who receive **5** entries in a 4 week period – parents invited to attend a meeting with a member of the Senior Leadership Team (SLT) to discuss behaviour of their child, who receives one week escorted lunch

We expect these occurrences to be few as behaviour across the school continues to improve.

If you have any questions regarding the changes to how behaviour is managed at lunch times please come and speak to Miss Paddon – *Assistant Headteacher and Inclusion Leader*

## Geography Field Studies

Year 5 went on a local river walk as a follow up to their geography work on Rivers. The children learnt the difference between a canal and a river and were lucky enough to see the real things nearby, right on our doorstep (The River Lee Navigation and The Old River Lee). Pupils were bird spotting along the way and saw many coots, Canada geese and mallards to name a few....one group even spotted a Kingfisher. The pupils experienced how a boat passes through a lock and actually helped close and open the lock gates and watched the water fill it. They were amazed to see how a lock operates! Thank you to Miss Ayer, humanities coordinator, for arranging this visit.



## Dates for your Calendar

31.03	Dr Bike surgery (only with confirmation slip)
01.04	Parents' Evening + Osborne Book Fair
03.04	Easter Bonnet Parade
04.04	End of Term
Easter Break: Monday 7th April to Monday 21st April 2014	
22.04	Start Summer Term
23.04	Individual photos
30.04	Y2&Y3 scooter training (chn bring own)
12.05	Y6 SATs Week
22.05	Polling Day – school closed
	Family visit to Thorpe Park
02.06	Staff Training Day – school closed
23.06-04.07	POW Cultural Fortnight

## Year 4 Visit to Freezywater St George's C of E Primary School

Year 4 have been learning about Christianity in RE, and so we went to visit St Georges, Freezywater to find out from the children about Baptism. We enjoyed meeting children from year 3, 4 and 5, and asking them questions about their Christian religion, their baptism ceremony and about their school. We then went for a look around the St Georges Church, which is attached to their school.

Year 4 have written thank you letters to the school:

*Abigail – 'I especially liked the stained glass windows'.*

*Kagan – 'I am a Muslim, and I enjoyed visiting your church'.*

*Ayse – 'I enjoyed meeting other children and speaking to them, I hope you come and visit us soon'.*

Mrs Hammond – 4H class teacher