

NEWSLETTER

Friday 29nd April 2022

Dear Parents/Carers.

It has been a very busy week in school as we get back into the swing of things. I visited classes this week to see learners making pesto to go with pasta, baking bread, discussing the news, making birthday cards and working on their City and Guilds qualifications. Every class was busy and really enjoying what they were doing.

Each class has continued to enjoy their walks on a daily basis as well as visits to the playground. Our new outdoor gym should be opening shortly!

On Wednesday we had a tour of some of our statues from our Catholic Ethos Advocate, Pauline Meaney which was very informative and interesting. The learners asked some thoughtful questions and used the time to reflect on what the statues represented.

In assembly today we looked at what to do if something is worrying us. We acted out various situations which could cause us to be worried and decided we should tell a member of staff about anything we are worried about so they could help us. The learners were really engaged and understood that they should tell someone if they had something on their mind.

If you are able to, please continue to test your child twice weekly. We have a limited number of LFD tests remaining, so please contact Alex. Way@stelizabeths.org.uk to request a set of tests.

Enjoy your Bank Holiday weekend.

Stuart Bruce Deputy Head Teacher

Jubilee Class

Dear family and friends

Jubilee Class enjoyed our daily walk this week even though it was a little chilly and windy. During our literacy lessons we start the day by writing about what we did last night. The reason for this is to help us share information and improve our verbal communication in class. The topic for our maths lessons this term is learning new maths vocabulary and we are working on writing the numbers in words and counting in 2s, 5s and 10s. We are using the 100 square to find the patterns and do our counting. This week we had our PE lesson with Mr Way and we worked on our ball skills and we played cricket. We met the new therapy dog called Bella and loved making a new friend! For food technology we made a pasta dish with hidden vegetables. We used a mini chopper and we were amazed to see how a large amount chopped of vegetables can turn into a paste. We explored different herbs and enjoyed the smell and taste of basil in the pesto. We had an assembly about our worries on Friday and decided we will share them with an adult.

We hope you enjoy the weekend.

Warm regards

Mrs C

Winston

Hello from Winston

Our class has worked really well despite missing Mel for the week. We've spent a lot of our time improving our numeracy and literacy skills. We enjoyed PE and have had lessons on safeguarding, internet safety and St Georges Day. It's been a really busy and enjoyable week and we're wishing you all a lovely bank holiday.

Have lovely weekend

Winston Class team

Pippin Class

Pippin Class have had a lovely week. We have made preparations for May Day by delivery Spring floral baskets to our friends in other classes. We have also explored St. Georges Day through the story of the dragon and made Union Jack cupcakes, enjoyed a school statue walk and celebrated a birthday in class.

Kind regards

Charlotte

Discovery Class

It has been another busy week for Discovery Class. The students enjoyed a wonderful trip to Harlow, where they went to the supermarket to buy snacks and supplies for class and had lunch out at McDonald's. They waited patiently in the queue, exchanged money at the tills and were thoughtful towards the members of the public.

In sensory art, we made daffodils out of different materials, following instructions and identifying green and yellow colours for spring. The students have also been working on their fine motor skills, as well as exploring the grounds and using the equipment and socialising in the park.

Have a good bank holiday weekend.

Discovery Class Team.

Bramley Class

Hello from Bramley Class,

We have been learning about environments this week. We learnt about forests and jungles this week and read the story 'Where the Wild Things are' and explored materials such as leaves, twigs and pine cones. In Art, we created forest pictures using paint, rollers and then stuck on leaves that we had collected on our walk around the centre. In cognition, we have been learning about measures. We learnt about big and small and explored big and small toys and then we also learnt about full and empty and explored filling and emptying a cup with rice. In cooking, we have been making food from around the world and this week we made bread that originated from Egypt. We have also been learning about things we like and dislike this week by exploring a range of toys and materials in our class. This week our assembly was on exploring our emotions and what we need to do if we are feeling worried or sad about something. We listened to a poem and explored sensory worry stones. Our Star of the Week this week was Hadley, for a big improvement with his communication skills using gestures clearly so that others can understands his wants and needs. Well done Hadley!

We hope you enjoy the long bank holiday weekend!

Chloe and the Bramley team

Stirling Class

City and Guilds: Numeracy, Literacy and 'Skills for Working Life' qualifications have been the main focus this last week.

Students developed their numeracy skills with addition and subtraction, and getting used to checking their answers on their calculators. Some students challenged themselves by adding 3 and 4 digit decimal placed numbers.

Students continued to work on detecting hazards by walking around the school and spotting things that could potentially be a problem, and then describing how they could prevent the hazard, and who to report it to within school.

Literacy, most continued to work on spelling difficult words, and constructing grammatically correct sentences. They also worked on comprehension, by reading interesting articles or stories and answering questions based on these.

Students also did some work on UK facts, namely, developing an understanding of how the United Kingdom is made up, and naming the capitals of England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales. We also found out the locations and names of a wide range of cities in these countries. Stirling Class will continue to develop their understanding of the United Kingdom next week.

Students continue to watch Newsround each day, and we try to discuss some of the most interesting topics covered; this can lead to some good discussions, for example, we had a discussion on time travel this week, which is something some students find very interesting.

Have a great weekend From Stirling Team