

Milford Mail



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Dear Milford Families

What a fun-packed half term of active learning we have enjoyed at Milford! Our classrooms and outdoor spaces have been buzzing with curiosity, creativity and enthusiasm – it has been a joy to see the children so engaged in their learning.

I am absolutely delighted to share that we have achieved the Silver Learning Outside the Classroom Award, having completely bypassed Bronze! This recognition celebrates our commitment to ensuring that our wonderful children are up, active and fully immersed in their learning experiences both inside and beyond the classroom. We are incredibly proud of this achievement and of the staff and children who make it possible every day.

Oak and Willow classes had a fantastic visit to Brooklands Museum, where they explored different vehicles and their history. Back at school, a very cheeky bus visitor sparked lots of imaginative writing about his exciting adventures!

In Year One, our budding scientists have been busy testing and exploring different materials. Inspired by the courage of local hero Jack Phillips aboard the Titanic, the children have demonstrated impressive enquiry skills and thoughtful reflection in their work.

Year Two have been learning about the achievements of real-life Arctic explorers, deepening their understanding of oceans and continents. They have also begun learning the recorder with great (and very enthusiastic!) tooting. Some of our Year Two children have further developed their teamwork and leadership skills through our Sports Leaders programme – we are very proud of them.

A special thank you to Anna and Hen for organising a wonderful Valentine's Bake Off. It was a joyful fundraising event that brought creativity – and many delicious treats – to our fantastic school community.

If you haven't already done so, please do send in any questions regarding our Academy Consultation; details can be found on the school website.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. I wish you all a restful and happy half term break, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back for another exciting term ahead.

Much love
Sara



Silver LOfC Mark

Year R news



This half term has been once again action packed and we have continued to develop our independence and enjoy our learning. It has been fantastic to hear the children use language such as “I’m going to challenge myself” and throw themselves into every learning opportunity. For example, during their play some children discovered they could use Numicon to count in twos and tens! Incredible!

We particularly enjoyed visiting Brooklands Museum and finding out all about vehicles from the past. We used language to explain if we thought vehicles were used now or then, in the past or in the present. We made and raced our own peg racer cars and climbed aboard old buses, planes and cars. Back at school, we made our own vehicles using construction, made our own junk model boats and explored if they and other objects sank or floated. We also raced cars on ramps; ask us which surface made the car travel the furthest!

We had a cheeky bus visitor who got up to a lot of mischief! We helped him explore our school and he even helped Mrs Tibbits in the school office. He inspired us to write about his adventures using our phonic knowledge and sight words. Many of us are becoming confident writers and enjoying being an author creating our own writing masterpieces – notes, posters and little books. We also enjoyed using our funky fingers to make a split pin London bus.

In maths, we have continued to investigate the composition of numbers, having a deep knowledge about the different ways we can add numbers together to make the same total. We have been learning which numbers are doubles, have practised recalling some doubles to five from memory and begun to understand the odd and even number pattern. We have also focused on developing our language to describe mass and capacity.

Next term, we are looking forward to our first Woodland School where we will be going on a nature walk, making dens, creating a nature crown and much more! We have some very special visitors coming into school to help us learn about ‘real-life’ superheroes. If any parents and carers would like to share their real-life superhero jobs with the children then we would appreciate a visit from you too. After a rest at half term, we cannot wait to get back to Superhero School and become superheroes in training ourselves!



Brooklands Museum



Making vehicles



Now and then



Naughty bus



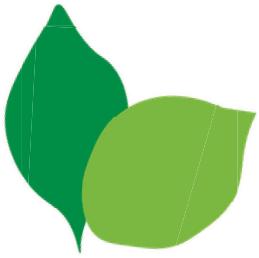
Maths



Floating and sinking boats



Year 1 news



Writing

In year 1 this half term, we have focused on the text of Traction Man. We have been learning how to use plurals and ing words along with the rules associated with them to retell parts of the Traction Man story. Traction Man had great fun at woodland school, going on lots of new adventures. We really enjoyed writing about his adventures in the woods and the problems he solved.



Science

We are scientists! We have been carrying out our own science investigations to explore different materials. We have made predictions and then have tested to find out results. We have enjoyed doing our own science experiments in groups, working together.



History

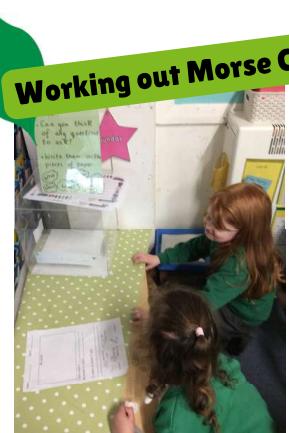
Year 1 has been engrossed about learning all about the Titanic. We explored the Titanic's life from when it was built to its journey to New York. We have found out about what the different classes had on board the ship. We were very shocked that 3rd class passengers had to share baths and 1st class got their own private bathrooms. We explored the different sized rooms and tried on a replica life jacket from the Godalming museum collection.



Mapping out the size of a 1st class suite

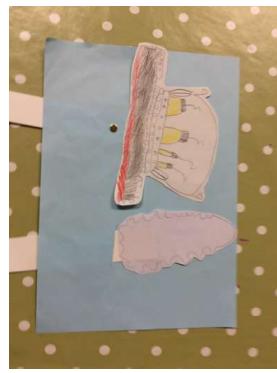


Working out Morse Code

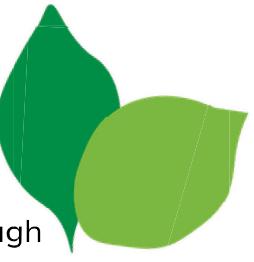


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We have been continuing with our learning about mechanisms and have created levers and sliders.



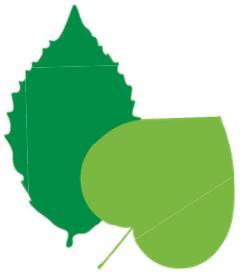
Woodland School



We used our learning of left and right to create stick mazes and navigate through them. We also explored what natural materials are waterproof or not to create houses in the woods.



Year 2 news



Maths

Over the half term we have further secured our place value knowledge, working to 3 digit numbers. We have also become experts in our 2, 5 and 10 times tables, applying this using a range of multiplication calculations to solve simple problems.

Karate Maths has been a fun addition to our maths learning and everyone has been very excited to achieve their first grading!



Geography

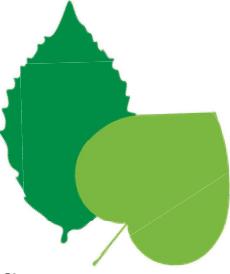
After arriving at school to find an explorer had camped outside our classroom for the night, Elm and Lime explored clues that led us to discovering about the race to the South Pole and Scott's fateful trip to Antarctica. However, he sent us a message of resilience and following our dreams.

Our exploring led us to learn about the seven continents and six oceans of the world, polar regions and the equator.

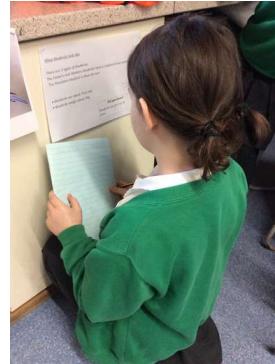


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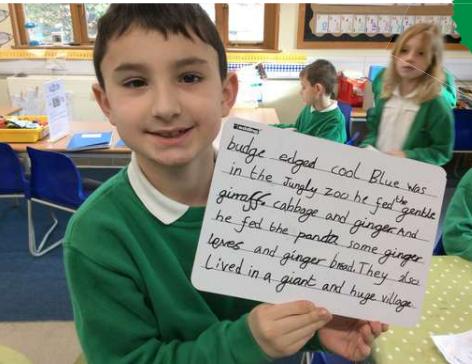
We have really enjoyed learning through our fabulous chosen text, 'The Robot and the Bluebird' by David Lucas. We have been learning about using interesting, exciting vocabulary in our writing to engage our readers. Ask us what nouns, adjectives, verbs and adverbs are! We used this in our own version of the story from Bluebird's point of view, where we learnt how to write in the first person.



Sleeping robots

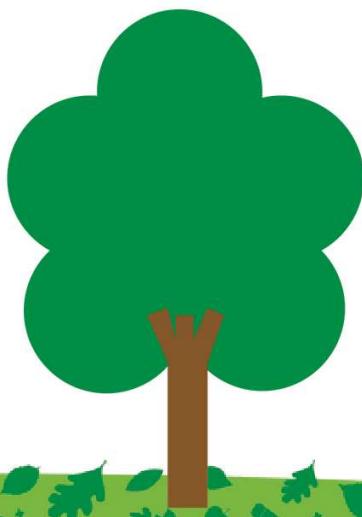


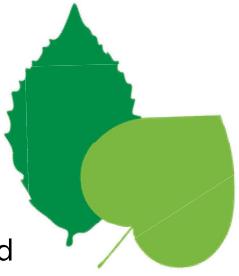
Book corner



Music

Year 2 have been learning to play the recorder! So far we have learnt the notes B A G and we are putting them together to play a well-known song about some 'Hot Cross Buns'.





Science

This term we have been investigating the properties of everyday materials and why certain materials are used to make different things. We also did an investigation to stop the Antarctic ice cube from melting. Who would have thought the ice cube wrapped in cotton wool would have lasted longest! (A little lesson in insulation.)



Art

Our study of the artist M C Escher, led us to exploring pattern and printing in art and learning how to make and use a block print. We also learnt different ways to shade with a pencil, which we used to recreate his picture called 'Puddle'.



Woodland school

We loved our wet and muddy Woodland School trips this half term!



Year 2 Sports Leaders

Congratulations to our Year 2 Sports Leaders. These children completed a 2 hour course with Active Surrey to qualify as a Sports Leader for Milford School. You will see them running games and activities at playtimes as well as leading the warm ups in PE lessons. A great asset to our school.

