

Margaret Coates Centre Newsletter No: 11 Friday 9th March 2018



DIARY DATES ~

Tuesday 13th March – Danielle's 11th Birthday party

Tuesday 13th March – Parents' evening

Wednesday 14th March 10am -11am – Sports relief themed parent's café with a performance of our Dance Umbrella dance.

Thursday 15th March – Dance Umbrella Performance at the Forum in Bath

Saturday 17th March – 10:30am to 12:15pm – Saturday Club

Friday 23rd March – Finnley's 10th Birthday party

I hope you all had fun in the snow we have enjoyed hearing about their adventures. All the children have worked extremely hard this week as they take part in some different assessments which happening across the whole trust. It has been wonderful to see the effort they have put into their work and we are all extremely proud of their achievements. We look forward to sharing them with you at Parent's evening. Platinum Class have enjoyed reading this term and are all very excited about the creation of an MCC Library. They have been learning how to catalogue the books and are enjoying borrowing different books. Some sad news this term is that both Lisbet and Heather, our wonderful HLTAs, are both ill and will not be in this term. Hazel is providing cover for them and will be supporting in Gold Class. They are both recovering from minor operations and are doing well but are getting some rest. If you have any questions about how this will affect staffing in your child's class please do not hesitate to contact me. Exciting news is that between now and the end of term we are welcoming back Jenny Hagel on a Tuesday mornings and she will be returning three mornings a week after the Easter Break. Many thanks for your support and I look forward to see as many of you as possible at some of the upcoming events.

Dance Umbrella Tickets and costumes ~Some parents have been in touch to let us know that they have been unsuccessful in securing tickets. If you are still needing tickets please can you let Nina know so that she can try and see if there have been any returns. Please can you also send in the Dance Umbrella costumes, if your child is taking part. This needs to be a plain yellow t-shirt and denim trousers or dungarees-Minion style!

Swimming Help ~On Tuesdays we have swimming and we are always looking for parents that would be willing to come in and help from 10:15am – 12:15pm. It involves supporting staff with children changing and in the pool. If you are interested please do speak to myself or a member of staff and we can explain more.

Saturday Club ~The next Saturday club is on the 17th March and we will be planting vegetables and have access to the swimming pool. We hope as many as possible of you will be able to attend. Please also see the attached flyer about a research project being carried out by one of our students. She will be at Saturday club to explain more as well as attending parents' evening.

Sport's Relief Café (Now 14th March NOT 21st March) ~ On the 14th March we will be holding a parents café to raise money for Sports Relief. The children will perform the Sports relief dance and also perform the dance they have been learning for the Dance Umbrella. If you are able to do a little baking at home and send in individual cakes or a tray bake that can be easily and eaten with fingers then that would be most appreciated. The children will also be doing some cooking in school.

Reading at home and supporting your child with English ~ Our school follow a programme called Read, Write Inc to help with teaching reading, writing and spelling. A number of parents over the last couple of weeks have asked for a little more information. Please have a look at this website as there is a wealth of information. <http://www.ruthmiskin.com/en/parents/> Many thanks for your support with their learning as together we can achieve the very best for them! For interactive online books , have a look at the Oxford Reading tree website <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/> login details are Goldclass123 password:Learn@home

Thank you, Michael Bogg, Centre Manager .



Be Kind. Try hard. Do your best.

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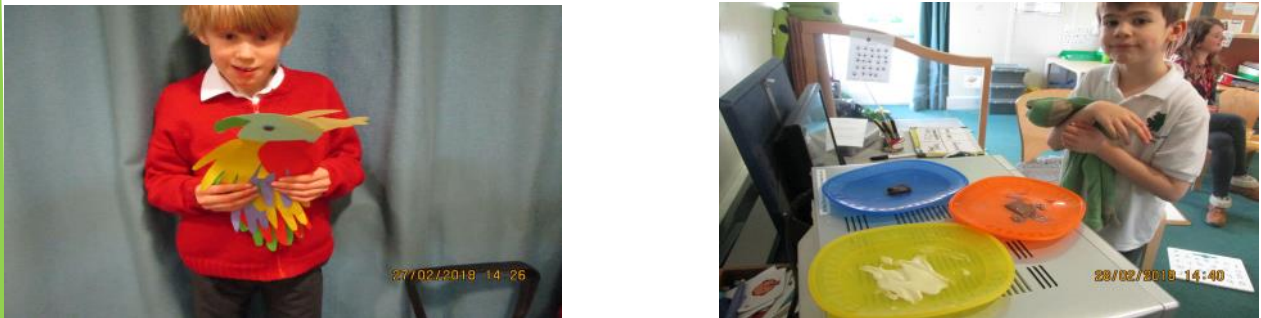


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Silver Class –We enjoyed going horse riding on our first day back, and we have had lots of fun exploring different colours and textures in our mixing and communication activities. We have made piggy bagels in cooking, as part of our Three Little Pigs story themed activities. We have also begun exploring our new Osmo games on the iPads!



Gold Class –Last week we started our topic by visiting Sainsbury’s and finding foods that grow in South America. Our Rainforest Discovery Day included children using a range of mediums including painting the layers and animals of the rainforest, frog collages, waterfalls, and 3D plasticine animals. We have also found out where chocolate comes from, enjoying a chocolate experiment and making a rainforest fruit lolly.



Platinum Class – Have enjoyed the opportunity to take part in a Discovery Day in which they made some wonderful creations some of them included in the photos in this newsletter. Their creativity is always wonderful to see. They have also enjoyed learning lots about air resistance and forces.

