



Spring 4
February 2024

Enjoyment of learning, achievement for all

Year 1 Toy Museum Workshop

The children in Year 1 enjoyed a visit from the Freshwater Theatre Company last week and had the opportunity to take part in a Toy Museum Workshop. The children had lots of fun learning about the history of dolls, teddy bears and moving toys- and got to enjoy a bear hugathon and a dolly disco.

To end the workshop, the children put their detective skills to work with a toy investigation and used their imaginations to create their own toys to join the museum.



Well done to all the children who took part in the workshop- we are very impressed you used your creativity and concentration skills to be successful with your learning.

Year 2 Great Fire of London Workshop

It was also a busy week for Year 2 as they also had a visit from the Freshwater Theatre Company for A Great Fire of London drama workshop. The children were time travellers and were transported back to life in 1666! The children recreated life in Pudding Lane at Thomas Farriner's bakery and felt the hustle and bustle of life in London at that time. During their imaginative journey they met the famous diarist Samuel Pepys and the not so helpful Mayor, Thomas Bloodworth!



We would like to say a very big thank you to all the parents who contributed towards our WOW day activities which are an important way of bringing the children's learning to life- without your support we would be unable to hold these events.

Parent consultation bookings

Parents evening bookings can still be made using your Arbor Parent Portal for the following dates:

- Whole School:** Wednesday 14th and Thursday 15th February 3:30pm-6:00pm
Beech Class: Thursday 8th February and Wednesday 14th February 3:30pm-6:00pm
Cherry Class: Wednesday 14th February 4:00pm-6:00pm

If you have not already done so, please log into your Arbor app and book an appointment under the parent consultations tab. Please speak to the School Office if you require any support with booking your appointment.



Forest School Adventures

The children in Year 1 and Nursery have been enjoying their forest school sessions and visit Elmwood Forest in all weathers. You can really help prepare your child for a Forest School day by:



- having the correct clothing: a warm jacket, gloves and hat, welly boots and two pairs of socks.
- Bringing in a spare set of clothes each Forest School day, just in case he/she needs an extra layer, or they get wet and need to change.
- Even better, if you have it, waterproof clothing: jacket, an over-suit or over trousers, children would be snug, dry and comfortable for their Forest School session. Here is a [link](#) to a cost effective waterproof set:
- Don't forget to name label those boots/jackets/hats so that we can get lost items back to you!



What does the RESEARCH say about playing out in cold and wet weather?

- Playing outdoors in the cold boosts the immune system!
- We burn extra energy!
- Playing in different conditions promotes problem solving and cognitive skills.
- Boosts vitamin D levels and boosts our mood!

Cherry Class Pancake Session

Cherry Class will be making pancakes during their Forest Session this week using the following ingredients. Please speak to the nursery team if your child has any allergies or dietary requirements.

Scotch Pancakes Ingredients:

Self raising flour
Egg
Milk (cows)
A pinch of salt

Toppings:

Sliced banana
Honey (shop bought, Rowlands)
Chocolate sauce (nut free)

