



Bleasdale School Spring Newsletter



School re-opens for pupils Wednesday 23rd April 2014

May day closure Monday 5th May 2014

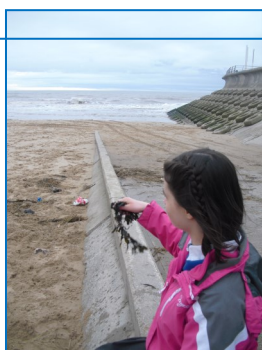
Half Term 26th May—30th May 2014

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FOR SALE
Bleasdale Teddy
Bear
£4.50

As part of their geography work, Class 3 went on a fieldtrip to the coast to explore the location. We observed many of the features including rocks, seaweed, sharks eggs and even found a sea snail!

Residential pupils have been exploring different textures from the seaside in sensory such as sand, shells, pebbles and sea-weed.

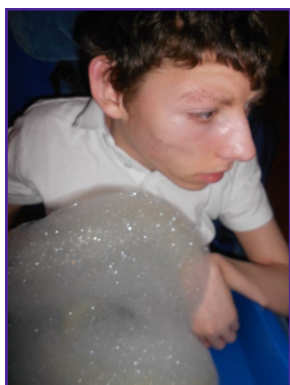


Welcome
New Staff who started this term are:

Angela Halliwell
Christine Kelsall

Residential pupils have been making bubble snakes in scientific exploration. Follow the link to make some over the Easter holidays.

<http://www.wikihow.com/Make-a-Bubble-Snake-Maker>



Or Follow this link to make bathtub paint

<http://www.housingaforest.com/fluffy-bathtub-paint/>

Parents' Fundraising Committee

**Next committee meeting is in the
Parents' Room on 30th April 2014 at
3.45pm
All welcome**

Quiz

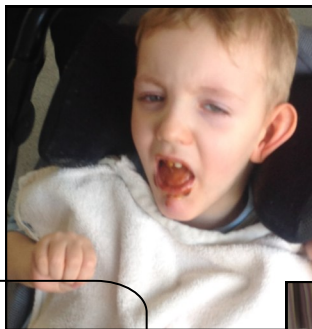
Quiz Sheets are £1.00 each
1st prize £20, 2nd prize £10, 3rd prize £5
Completed Quiz sheets to be
returned by the 1st June 2014
More quiz sheets available from reception

Date for your Diary **Beetle Drive**

We are organising a beetle drive on
Saturday 10th May 6.30pm — 8pm
Venue to be confirmed
Please come along and
support us.



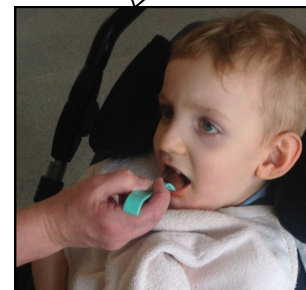
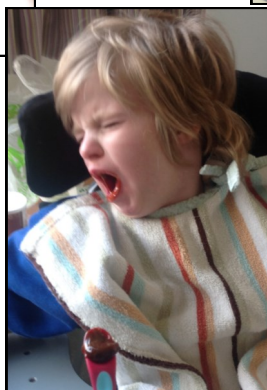
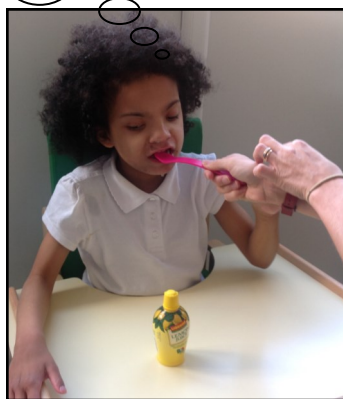
Ofsted now have a section for parents called Parent View. Parents can access this at any time. Please go to the Ofsted site to register.



MMMMM
NUTELLA!!
Our favourite!!

Lemon, not
so bad!

URRGGGHHH!
MARMITE!!!



Class 1 really enjoyed Pancake Day! We made our own pancakes then tasted different toppings to see which one we liked the best. We tried Lemon, Syrup, Nutella and Marmite!

In science Class 3 have been learning about soluble and insoluble materials. We tried to dissolve jelly crystals and made instant whip. We explored what happened when a liquid was added to different materials and investigated if the temperature of the liquid made a difference to the result.



FE visited the Fig Tree Fair Trade Centre in Garstang, they met the African Chief and made their own chocolate from fairly traded cocoa beans. It was really tasty.



FE hosted a Games Night and invited parents to join us for a freshly prepared meal and to join in with our sensory version of Roulette. It was very competitive and our chair of governors became very excited when he finally won a game! The event was a great success and we intend to have more theme nights in the future.



We are collecting the Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers. Please bring your vouchers to reception. If you nominate our school on the following link we could win our wish list.

<https://activekids.sainsburys-live-well-for-less.co.uk>

Thank You



**Class 1 really like new class mate Scarlett!
They've had lots of fun playing!**



We have purchased new equipment for the laundry and Monica is delighted. The previous machines were over fifteen years old and these new ones are not only much more energy efficient but we are using 'eco' detergents as well.



Class 1 have started rebound sessions and they all LOVE the trampoline!!



On one of our residential weekends in we visited the Sea Life Centre at Blackpool where the children enjoyed exploring some weird and wonderful fish. As part of the weekend themed around fish and the seaside we had a fish tea, made fish in art for our display on the wall and tasted different sea foods.



Inclusive After School Club



Our After school club continues to be a great success. This term we have taken part in two different activities.

The first was a Mini Assault Course. Before we could start we had to warm up our muscles using different exercises to music. We then

chose a partner to work with. We used VOCA's for Ready, Steady, Go, a very loud hooter to sound at the finish line and a timer to record how fast everyone was. There were lots of different things to go over, through & round.

The second activity was Curling, this was based on the Winter Olympics. It took a few weeks to get the technique right but eventually tactics took over and each team were desperate to win. It has been a very noisy but an enjoyable session.

We look forward to the sessions in the Summer term which will hopefully take place outside.

Karen

Integrated services Coordinator.



Having a spring clean at Easter? We are organising another textile collection with Bag2School. Donate your unwanted clothes, shoes, hats, belts, bags and soft toys in the donation bag provided. Bags to be back at school by Friday 25th April. Thank You for your support.



This term has been very busy in Class 3. In Literacy we have been reading stories by the same author. We chose Roald Dahl and we have been following the story of George and his marvelous medicine and Charlie as he discovers the magical land inside the chocolate factory. We have made our own horrid medicines in maths following different ratio recipes and we went on a messy trail to find the golden tickets.



Class 2 had a visit from Lakeland Wildlife Oasis. They handled a range of exotic creatures including snakes, bearded dragons, a giant cockroach, and a giant snail. The pupils were very excited and responded really well.

Mmmm this feels really rough and spikey



Debbie, this really Tickle.



Will someone get this snake off my tray please!



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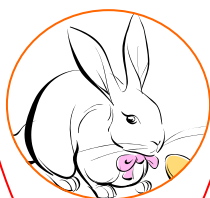
The Therapists would like to invite parents/staff to attend a demonstration on 'Good Posture' led by Colin Beadnall (Symmetrikit) On 27th June at School. Two sessions 9am -10am and 10.30am -11.30am. Please book your place with the therapists.

There are currently two speech and language therapists. Rachel Klein works in Classes 2, 3 and FE. Dawn Richards is temporarily covering Class 1 and is also looking at eating and drinking skills across the school. SLTs look at developing communication skills through the use of words, symbols, objects of reference and signs. Development of ability to express choices in a range of settings: development of use of technology and switches in order to communicate and working with school to ensure that the environment the pupils are in gives optimal opportunity for good communication.

New Health Staff who joined us this Term

Val has previously worked in safeguarding, health visiting and paediatric nursing. Catherine has joined us from the Cumbria area and is working at Bleasdale and also at Longlands Child Development Centre in Lancaster. Joanne has been a Paediatric Nurse for 20 years and has joined us from Derian House. Joanne is looking forward to her role here and getting to know all the children. Michelle has previously worked within social services and with looked after children. She is looking forward to working across occupational therapy, speech and language therapy and physiotherapy.

Happy Easter From All The Pupils and Staff



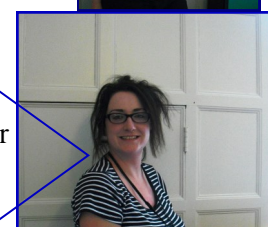
Val Baxter - Clinical Team Leader



Catherine Engelbrecht - Physiotherapist



Joanne Morrison -Nurse



Michelle France - Therapy Instructor