



# Bleasdale School

## Spring Newsletter 2016

**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.

Jack from Class 1 is now attending school for another day in the week, taking him to four days 9-2pm.



Matthew and Elliot continue to enjoy taking part in 1<sup>st</sup> Carnforth Scouts; they have joined in with a wide range of adventures and challenges with their peers and gained their Librarian and Entertainers badges this term.

It has been another busy term in FE Luke and Jack are both currently completing a six week work placement at Tesco in Carnforth. They have been very busy restocking shelves, taking away empty boxes and filling the big box crate. Here is Luke helping to stock up the Easter Egg shelves.



School re-opens for pupils on  
Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2016

Half Term  
Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2016 —Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2016

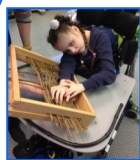
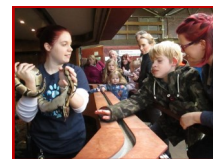
School closes for Pupils on  
Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2016

Thank you for all the donations sent for the Food Bank, Class 4 are taking them to Morecambe and packing food boxes for clients on the 8<sup>th</sup> April.

The whole school have entered art work on the theme of mini beasts into Silverdale's Horticultural and Gardening Society Spring Show.



Trips this term for the residential pupils have included bowling, a visit to Muncaster Castle and a trip to the Wildlife Oasis at Milnthorpe where Rohan in particular enjoyed the snake and the Meerkats, which he also got to feed.



In History Class 2 have been exploring life as Anglo-Saxons. The children responded well to harp music, and managed to move their fingers and pluck strings on the auto harp. They also made clear choices when making Anglo-Saxon drinks. Favourites were the smell and sound of frothy beer, runny honey to sweeten drinks and ginger to make a non-alcoholic version. The pupils explored a wattle and daub model wall and used mud and twigs to make their own.



Class 3 welcomed a new pupil this term- Alex!  
Alex has settled in really well to life at Bleasdale and is establishing relationships and routines within school.



Jessica and Thomas from FE are participating in group work experience placements they have helped to feed the animals at The Wildlife Oasis. Here is Thomas preparing to feed the Meerkats.



Welcome

New Staff who started this Term:

Sally Haughton  
Audrey Paton  
Rowena Riden

This term in mobility the residential pupils have done basketball, football, boccia and bowling and for St David's Day we had a rugby type session which all pupils got together for and great fun was had by all. We have also introduced a new activity of parachute games.



In dancing the residential pupils have explored new dances including the Charleston and the Lindy Hop.

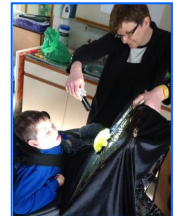


To celebrate Science week, the whole school took part in a Space day. Everyone spent time exploring the features of the planets and investigating rockets.



Class 4 have taken part in different field trips in Geography to explore the features of a village, town and city. They used their senses to compare the different places.

In Geography for Class 2 the focus has been Where in the World is Stanley the Spider? Parents have been highly involved and have helped their children to make the spiders. The spiders have sent news via postcards and e-mails back to school regarding their weekend activities. Stan the Spider is currently travelling from the Caribbean to Morecambe, in a banana boat. The pupils are enjoying the role play activity, responding to sea shanties, playing the steel pans and making choices about what happens next.



In Maths Class 1 have been learning to take turns when playing a game. They have been learning to roll a dice and use sensory dice to count the number of places to move.



Art this term has allowed Class 3 pupils to explore clay. Pupils have been printing, worked on the theme of horticulture and how homeware can reflect the outdoors. The work the pupils have produced was displayed at the village horticulture show.

We are collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers. Collect vouchers from Sainsbury's until 3rd May 2016. Collection box at Reception. Thank You





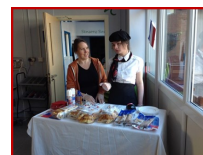
In PSHE, Class 3 have been learning about personal hygiene. The class discovered how easily germs were spread if we do not wash our hands correctly. The pupils developed this further, experiencing different personal hygiene routines including hair washing and nail care. Pupils have engaged in a range of lessons that promote their self-help and independence skills.



Class 2 enjoyed taking part in World Book Day



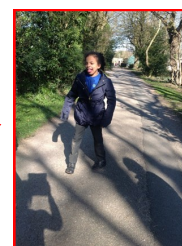
FE have been running a French Café for pupils, staff, parents and friends from other schools this half term. We have all had a role as a waiter, waitress, greeter, or chef. Our café has been so successful we are planning on doing another one next term with a Spanish theme.



During creativity this term FE have been studying The Beatles, we have had lots of fun making instruments, listening to Beatles music and making Beatles Pop Art. On the 30<sup>th</sup> of March we all went on a day trip to Liverpool to visit the Beatles Museum on Albert Dock.



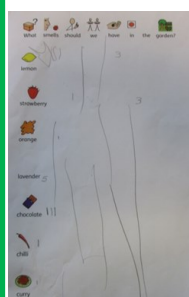
Sport Relief: FE organised a sport relief day for the whole school. Every pupil in school either walked, cycled or swam for sport relief so far we have raised £286.



Class 4 have set up a school library. Books and DVDs can be borrowed, for two weeks, from the library trolley which is situated in the circulation area on a Thursday afternoon.



### The School Council



The School Council have been voting for what they would like in the school garden. All the councillors made very clear choices. So far they have decided they want lavender, strawberry, chocolate and lemon but not chilli or curry smelling plants in the garden.

### Parents Fundraising Committee

£421.77 was raised at the Coffee Morning on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> February.

### Upcoming Events

Cross Bay Walk  
Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July 4.00 pm  
Arnside to Kent's Bank



We are organising another collection with Bag2School. Donate your unwanted clothes, shoes, hats, belts, bags and soft toys in the donation bag. Bags to be back at school by 9am Wednesday 11th May. Thank You for your support.

This term, Class 3 have been exploring our locality and comparing it to the mountainous regions of France. We sadly haven't been to visit the Alps but we have really enjoyed being out in the local area, mapping the geographical features of the village.



One of Class 4's English topics has been songs, they have been listening to different weather songs. They went to visit the statue of Eric Morecambe after exploring the song "Bring me Sunshine".



In music the residential pupils have explored different kinds of music and instruments and have also been making their own instruments. A particular favourite session with the pupils has been drumming.



#### Inclusive After School Club

During the 1st half term our topic was 'Nature'. We made a variety of different bird feeders including ones made from pine cones & the skins of oranges. Not everyone liked the texture and smell of the lard but we all enjoyed feeling the raisins, seeds & crumbling the digestive biscuits which we added to the mixture. Each week we hung them on the trees in the school garden, some pupils took theirs home with them so they could watch & listen for birds feeding. Some pupils took photographs and brought them to the club to share with everyone. We also made insect houses and hedgehog paper weights.



During the 2nd half term all the pupils have enjoyed taking part in a sensory story about Jack & the Beanstalk. We have used a variety of resources to tell the story including pestles and mortars to grind our bones, cow bells, VOCA's with mooing sounds and rubber gloves filled with water to resemble Jack's cow. We have planted beans to replicate the beanstalk and each week we take a photograph to see how fast they are growing.



Karen HLTA



Class 4 have enjoyed taking part in Rebound with the students from Dallam High School this term.

Class 1 have been very busy learning about Space. They have worked hard with their friends from Silverdale School to create a rocket for our display.

