

Bleasdale School Summer Newsletter 2018



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Class 1 have welcomed two new pupils: Jacob and Melissa.

School re-opens for pupils on Tuesday 4 September 2018

School Inset Day Friday 19 October

Half Term Monday 22 to Friday 26 October 2018

School closes for Pupils on Thursday 20 December 2018 at 1.30 pm

School Inset Day Friday 21 December 2018



Class 1 have enjoyed exploring the beach. They have been to the beaches at Silverdale, Hest Bank and Morecambe to explore the features of beaches.

We say goodbye to Luke. Luke has been at school for 17 years and will be missed by everyone. Luke is hoping to attend Beaumont College in the Autumn term. We would all like to wish him all the very best for the future.



Skills for Learning – Class 2
The children have enjoyed our sensory story this term which follows Sheldon Snail's journey to the beach. Kamil is always extremely excited when Sheldon arrives at the beach, only to find out it's night time and he has to go home!



Class 3 are saying goodbye to Joshua. He is starting a new adventure at Sandgate School in Cumbria. We wish him all the best. F.E students enjoyed a performance from a steel pan and keyboard musician, who came to play a range of Caribbean songs to support our Caribbean studies. Students loved listening and dancing to the music, Jessica tried to assist the keyboard musician!



This term Class 3 have been looking at personal hygiene. We have been to the house and used the sensory bath to learn how to safely fill a bath and check the water is just right. We have also learned how to turn the shower on and check the temperature of the water. To involve our parents, we invited them in to make hand scrub with us and have a mini manicure in class.



Staff Changes

This term we are saying goodbye to Nicky Maddox, Sally Haughton and Ian Edmunds—Parrington who have moved on to other roles. We have welcomed Lucy Green (HLTA), Laura Williams (Care Assistant) and Gemma Ducie (TA).

Class two have had another term working alongside pupils from Silverdale School. Our focus this term has been The Seaside. We have explored lots of different materials and textures to create a giant seaside collage on our classroom wall.









As part of our topic on beauty therapy Class 4 visited Lancaster and Morecambe College beauty therapy department. We had a manicure and painted nails. We also had a go at painting the nails of the therapist. This is an inclusion link we hope to keep next year!



Lucy has been teaching in Class 3 on Fridays this term. We have been going on pizza treasure hunts, and making our own pizzas, to help us to learn about halves. To find out about quarters Farmer Jake has been asking us to help him divide his field into four. We have been writing postcards to pupils at Silverdale School based on our sensory story "The Snail and the Whale".





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Residential Activities Summer Term 2018

Team games this term have been 'it's a knockout' and seasonal sports such as cricket and tennis. Most weeks we have been able to hold these outside. It's a knock out consisted of an obstacle course with two teams competing against each other. The winning team were the ones who completed the course in the shortest time, it got very competitive! Cricket was very interactive and made even more possible as we were able to borrow equipment from our local cricket club. Pupils have enjoyed wearing their 'whites', shin pads and helmets before being bowled out! On Tuesday 19th June three pupils were able to visit Carnforth Cricket Club, so they could play in the practice nets, meet some of the cricket team and have tea in the club house. During world cultures & dance pupils have experienced traditional English dance which incorporated a Barn dance, Maypole and Morris dancing. One Monday evening the Crook Morris dancers came to perform for us, luckily the weather was on our side and we could all be outside. The Morris dancers were very impressed with our handkerchiefs and sticks which we had decorated for the occasion. They performed 3 dances for us and then we were invited to join in, we all had great fun and a successful evening was had by all.



F.E students enjoyed a trip out to Blackpool Zoo this term, to support our African studies. Joe was extremely interested in the Elephants, whilst Tom was mesmerised by the giraffes. Matthew found the dinosaur statues in the entrance very funny!!!



Class 4— Within Daily Living skills we have been planting indoors. We have planted a range of herbs and vegetables. We have used these to create meals and drinks. Hope particularly enjoyed smelling the various herbs, she smiled throughout the session making Mocktail Mojitos, as can be seen in the photograph



Class 1 have hosted a Teddy Bears' picnic with other special schools. We had lots of fun looking for bears. We also acted out the story "We're going on a bear hunt".





Our weekend trips have included a visit to Happy Mount Park to listen to the brass band, the Kite Festival in Morecambe, Carnforth Carnival in July. 3 pupils also went to 'Play in the Park' which was held in Williamsons Park and met friends from the Loyne School.

All the pupils are now settled into their newly refurbished residential areas and we are now in the process of developing the library area which we will be able to use as a quiet work area for 1:1 activities.

This term Class 2 have been finding out about what happens at a wedding. The children explored some special objects from a wedding, including a wedding dress, a bouquet and a veil. They got messy exploring a wedding cake to find the wedding rings and made some favours and invitations.

Its been a busy time in the pool with all the pupils working hard on their individual targets and lots of the pupils have been awarded swimmer on the week. The pool continues to run Mother and Toddler groups, Adult exercise sessions and sessions for outside users which remain extremely popular. We were delighted to welcome the Chernobyl children back into the pool, they have been coming folr quite a number of years and its lovely to see them all. They have improved so much over the years with their water skills and we all have great fun and games during their sessions. We look forward to their yearly visits and seeing them all





Some Class 4 pupils attended an educational visit to Lake Windermere as part of our work on Lakes. We travelled on the boat and had a lovely day.

Our after-school club runs on Wednesdays, pupils take part in various activities such as a musical treasure hunt. Following this 2 pupils access a youth club which is held at Morecambe Library where they can meet new friends, join in games and listen to music.

Finally the residential team would like to wish Luke good luck as he leaves us at the end of this term. We wish him well for the future.

The pupils, staff and governors hope you have a wonderful Summer and look forward to seeing you again in September.