

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2023

## Reception Class Learning

### Lighthouse Keepers Lunch

On Monday we shared 'The Lighthouse Keepers Lunch' story and we learnt key phrases from the character Mr Grinling such as 'Lackaday Lackaday' and 'Clear off you varmints!'. We have also been learning to use key vocabulary such as 'devoured' and 'industrious' within our play. During the week,



we have been busy preparing Mr Grinling's lunch and sending it down zip lines created from rope. We have been inventing pulley systems and creative ways to distribute the food to our friends avoiding the pesky seagulls. Children have also constructed lighthouses and submarines in the construction and sand areas of provision as well as writing and sending messages (in a bottle) down the stream for Mr Grinling. Our highlight of the week, was exploring Mr Grinling's paint pendulum and becoming creative physicians. Lots of fabulous discussions and exploration of pattern and movement as the paint created an Ocean of colour on the ground.



### Maths

In Maths, we are learning to add so that Mr Grinling can find the total number of people arriving at the lighthouse. We played a game called 'Mr Grinling's boats' to practise adding 2 groups of children together. The children are becoming experts at accurately counting to find the total.

### Literacy

This week we have used our phonic knowledge and Action Words to write a sentence about our World Book Day costume. The children are striving to use capital letters, finger spaces and full stops as well as spell their Action words correctly. Fabulous!





The children have been reading and re telling stories that they have read in School such as Tiddler and The Rainbow Fish and also striving to read 'memory books' about their previous learning in School.

### **Physical Development**

In PE, the children became pirates and played a game called 'steal the treasure'. The children worked together in teams to quickly take treasure back to their treasure chests and steal treasure from their opposing teams to gain extra points. The children really enjoyed racing against each other to win points and showed fabulous teamwork. We sang a Sea Shanty song as we raced against each other – Pirate patch, Pirate hat, swashbuckler cheer Aha! Lots of excitement and great fun. On Tuesday, the children enjoyed an extra PE session with ACE sports working on their fundamental movement and ball skills.

### **Music / Singing**

This week, the children have learnt to sing 'A Sailor went to Sea, Sea, Sea' - a catchy sea shanty song! We are looking forward to performing this to you at Friday Library. A video will also be available to view on Tapestry next week.

### **Sea Shanty Song:**

A sailor went to sea, sea, sea  
To see what he/she could see, see, see  
And all that he/she could see, see, see  
Is the bottom of the deep blue Sea, Sea, Sea

.....Is a Seahorse,  
.....Is a Jellyfish,  
.....Is a turtle,  
.....Is an Octopus,  
.....Is a Whale.

A sailor went to sea, sea, sea  
To see what he/she could see, see, see  
And all that he/she could see, see, see  
Was a Seahorse swimming in the, Jelly fish swimming in the, Turtle swimming in the,  
Octopus swimming in the, Whale swimming in the Sea, Sea, Sea.

### **Shockodile Crocodile Poem**

We have enjoyed rehearsing and exploring the language and actions in our World Book Day poem 'The Shockodile Crocodile' from Poems Aloud. We are learning how to use expression when we perform. Please see Tapestry for a video of our Whole School performance.

Jerry Clay Lane  
Wrenthorpe  
Wakefield  
WF2 0NP



Tel: 01924 303 665  
Email: [headteacher@jerryclayacademy.wakefield.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@jerryclayacademy.wakefield.sch.uk)  
Web: [www.jerryclayacademy.wakefield.sch.uk](http://www.jerryclayacademy.wakefield.sch.uk)

**English Hubs**  
Jerry Clay English Hub

Jerry Clay Academy is a charitable company limited by guarantee registered in England & Wales  
Registered address: Jerry Clay Lane, Wrenthorpe, Wakefield, WF2 0NP. Company number: 07688230



**ACCOMPLISH**  
MULTI ACADEMY TRUST



### **Twitter**

Please follow us on Twitter @JCAWakefield. We regularly update our twitter feed with photos of children throughout the week.

### **Home Learning**

Please support your child to read their reading book daily and complete the Action Word home learning sheet in your child's pink book. Books will be changed regularly usually on Wednesdays or Thursdays and a new home learning sheet added to your child's pink book. Thank you for your continued support.

### **Donations**

We would appreciate donations of yoghurt pots for our sea creature model craft. Please leave these in the Artist Studio on the table at drop off or pick up. Many thanks in anticipation.

### **Reminders**

Please support us by clearly labelling all of your child's clothing including coats, hats, gloves, uniform, PE kits and shoes/trainers. Children only require one book bag containing your child's reading folder and a drinks bottle. We do not have enough storage for additional large rucksacks. If your child has been given spare clothing such as underwear and socks, please return these to School promptly as our stocks have depleted.

Have a lovely weekend,  
Kind Regards,

Mrs Burrows and the Reception Team.

Jerry Clay Lane  
Wrenthorpe  
Wakefield  
WF2 0NP

Tel: 01924 303 665

Email: [headteacher@jerryclayacademy.wakefield.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@jerryclayacademy.wakefield.sch.uk)

Web: [www.jerryclayacademy.wakefield.sch.uk](http://www.jerryclayacademy.wakefield.sch.uk)



**English Hubs**  
Jerry Clay English Hub

Jerry Clay Academy is a charitable company limited by guarantee registered in England & Wales  
Registered address: Jerry Clay Lane, Wrenthorpe, Wakefield, WF2 0NP. Company number: 07688230



**ACCOMPLISH**

MULTI ACADEMY TRUST