

ALBION TIMES

A NEWSPAPER BY THE CHILDREN FOR THE CHILDREN

Welcome to the Autumn 2016 edition of the Albion Times. Reporters have worked very hard to bring you the latest news from around our school. We hope you enjoy it once more! Have a fantastic winter break.

Indigo Class's Jazz Debut

On Wednesday 9th November we travelled by tube to the Royal Festival Hall. We were on our way to perform at our first jazz concert! We had been working with a talented jazz musician named Pete Letanka. He taught us rhythm on instruments and some really great songs. As the audience arrived, our nerves turned into excitement and we knew we were ready.



Our performance was great and we got a huge round of applause. For the last song we joined in with another school and even got to show some of our moves – Mecca and Hawal did an amazing headstand!

Reported by Indigo Class

Our trip to the Cable Cars

On the 9th December, we went on a trip to the Cable Cars. We visited the Cable Cars because in class we have been learning about Marvellous Machines. After the ride Olivia said, "I felt so



scared when I was looking out of the cable car but I felt less scared when we went on the second time." "We saw the river Thames from high up in the cable car. I felt brave because we were SO high!" said Jack N. We could see the large wheel which powered the cable cars and allowed them to travel across the river. It was great fun!

Reported by Buttercup Class

Theatre Performance



Crimson Class watched 'The Missing Stocking' performance at The Finnish Church. We really enjoyed it and had a fantastic time! There was lots of singing and games for the children to join in. Heidi said, "My favourite part was when the postman sang with the Little Red Riding Hood." Keenan said, "I liked it when Santa came."

Reported by Crimson Class

Amber's Shrek-tacular Adventure!

Amber Class were very excited to go to Shrek's Adventure! When we arrived, we got on a magic, flying bus and we wore special 3D glasses to see lots of magical fairy-tale characters flying around with us. We



explored the land of 'Far Far Away' to find special ingredients for Shrek's potion.

Suddenly, Rumpelstiltskin trapped us in his prison but Shrek helped us to escape! At the end we finally got to meet Shrek and his friends. We had a FANTASTIC day!

Reported by Amber Class

Black History Week

In Lemon Class we learnt about Benjamin Zephaniah who is a writer and a poet. After listening to The British poem, we celebrated the different cultures of children in Lemon Class by drawing flags of the different countries our families are from. We also wrote poems about respect and peace which we displayed on a Benjamin Zephaniah poster.

Reported by Lemon Class

Gingerbread Houses

In our topic we have been learning about Grimm Tales. As our grand finale, in class, we carefully made gingerbread houses using sweets to decorate and add detail. Ann thought we were the most



successful in the three years she has seen children attempt this difficult task. We tried to be careful, however most of them collapsed or broke! Good luck to next year's Year 3 (top tip from Aaron – use strawberry laces to help join the walls together!) **Reported by Emerald Class**

Cooking in Rainbow Class!

Rainbow Class have been having lots of fun making egg free gingerbread biscuits. The children had to listen carefully and follow the instructions. They had to use scales to measure the correct amount of ingredients and take turns in mixing. When the dough was made, the children rolled it out using a rolling pin and then used Christmas cutters to cut out their shapes. After 10 minutes in the oven, the biscuits were ready and they smelt delicious! The children got to take their biscuits home to share with their families. **Reported by Rainbow Class**



Sapphire's visit to the Horniman Museum

On Wednesday 23 November 2016 we visited the Horniman Museum. We explored beautiful displays paying particular attention to African instruments. This was followed by a wonderful workshop during which we were split into three groups and then allowed to play with African wire



toys, African instruments and African clothes. We even saw an elephant tooth that was the size of an adult hand. Finally, we walked

around the grounds, looked at llamas, pigmy goats and giant rabbits. It was a lovely trip that really gave us better understanding of African culture.

Reported by Sapphire Class

Music in the classroom

Every Tuesday Scarlet Class has a music lesson with Hannah which we really enjoy. This term we have learnt many new songs from around the world and have explored the sounds of



different instruments by shaking, scraping and banging. Also we have learnt how to play a pulse by tapping our fingers to a steady beat and how to make high and low sounds using our voices.

Reported by Scarlet Class

Send for a Superhero!

In Tangerine Class we have been reading the story 'Send for a Superhero' by Michael Rosen. First, we came into school one morning and found lots of Wanted posters

around the school asking us to look out for two scary baddies called Filth and Vacuum! But we decided these Wanted posters weren't detailed enough, so we came up with our own using lots of adjectives to help the rest of the school find the culprits!



Next, we read the story! We generated lots of ideas about the terrible twosome, Filth and Vacuum, and created our own superheroes with incredible powers to help defeat them! Finally, we wrote our own version of the stories with all of our exciting ideas.

Reported by Tangerine Class

The Gre at Albion Bake Off

On Monday 12th December, Jade Class were lucky enough to visit a bakery in Borough Market. We wanted to learn about how a



bakery works and see how bread is made in real life! When we got there, our bakers told us that

we were going to learn how to make fruit or plain scones – how delicious! Everyone had their own special place at a bench and had their own scales and ingredients – it got quite messy when we used our hands to mix the dry and wet ingredients together! At the end of the day, we got a special bakery gift bag that was filled to the top with all of

our scrumptious scones. We were very proud of our new found baking skills!

Reported by Jade Class

Visit to the Imperial War Museum

On Monday 5th December, Violet Class visited the Imperial War Museum as part of our topic 'Evacuees'. The children had a great time exploring the museum. Of particular interest was the 'A Family in Wartime' exhibition, where children were able to see what life was like on the Homefront. Children also got to see a range of tanks and planes used during the war. They also were able to go into an Anderson Shelter!

Reported by Violet Class

Lullingstone Villa

On the 20th October, Year 4 went to Lullingstone Roman Villa in Kent. Both classes were amazed to see the ruins of a real Roman villa. During the visit, we viewed the many different rooms and learnt what they would have been used for as well as handling some Roman objects. The best bit was getting to taste some foods which would have been eaten in Roman times. It was a fantastic end to a fascinating topic!

Reported by Turquoise class

