

ALBION TIMES

A NEWSPAPER BY THE CHILDREN FOR THE CHILDREN

Welcome to the Spring 2017 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 spring break.

Amber Classroom was filled with Poetry!



We came into our class one Tuesday to find hundreds of poems all over the walls, on our chairs and even hanging from the ceiling! We were so excited to take them down and read them! They were all about pets and our favourite poem was

called 'Animal Alliteration'. This inspired us to write our own animal alliteration poems. Look out for them on our class page on the Albion website.

Reported by Amber Class

Celtic Harmony Camp

For our topic 'The Iron Man', Year 3 went on an exciting adventure to the Celtic Harmony



Camp in Hertford and we absolutely loved the day out! As soon as we got there, a Stone Age

man met us and took us into the camp. One of our favourite activities was when we had to use sticks and other natural materials to make our own dens. Did you know that some dens could fit over 5 children in them at the same time?

Reported by Jade Class

Special Visitors!

At the beginning of



March, Crimson and Scarlet Class had some special visitors...ducklings! We had lots of fun looking after them and watching them hatch and grow. We made information books and instructions about how to take care of them. All the children enjoyed holding and petting them! Malik said "They're so big!" and Shiloh said, "Aww they're so sweet and fluffy!"

Reported by Crimson Class

Indigo's Science Museum Space Exploration!

This term, Indigo Class had a trip to the Science Museum. It was an action packed day:

we explored the exhibits; went to see 'A Beautiful Planet' on the 3D IMAX and had a workshop with Sveltana



Savitskaya who was a Russian cosmonaut. We learnt that the difference between a cosmonaut and an astronaut is that an astronaut studies stars while cosmonauts study the universe! We all had a fantastic day!

Reported by Indigo Class

Godstone Farm

On Monday the 20th March, Scarlet and Crimson Class went on a coach trip to Godstone



Farm in Kent. We fed the pigs and then went

on a tractor ride. Next we saw the new-born animals with their mums. After lunch we got to meet the rabbits, hens and guinea pigs. The day ended in the play



barn. All the children had a great day out!

Reported by Scarlet Class

Science Week

The children in the Rainbow classroom had lots of fun exploring different science experiments. We made some gooey slime, watched a balloon get blown up by vinegar and baking soda, had fun mixing colours in a zip lock bag, made a magic rainbow with skittles and even grew our very own cress, baby carrots and beans!

Reported by Rainbow Class

Marvellous, Multiplication Maths Day!



Last week, all classes took part in special Maths days. Lemon Class had fun learning multiplications with different activities. We played hopscotch and multiplied the two numbers together and

also counted in 5's using our hands in sand.

Reported by Lemon Class

Sapphire Class's visit to Dr Johnson's house

This term, Year 4 visited Samuel Johnson's House.

Samuel Johnson was an English writer who is most famous for writing the English dictionary. It took him more than 8 years to complete. His house, which is based in Fleet Street,



is over 300 years old. Whilst at the house, we went on treasure hunts looking for clues, dressed up in Georgian wigs and costumes and learnt about how words and houses have changed over history. Did you know a 'flittermouse' used to mean a bat in Johnson's day?

"My favourite part of the trip was seeing the statue of Hodge, Johnson's cat," said Bella. Muizz commented that he particularly enjoyed looking at all the old paintings.

Reported by Sapphire Class

London Eye Experience!

On Wednesday 22nd March Violet Class went on a trip to the London Eye as part of their Incredible Inventions topic.

All 21 children and 3 adults managed to share the same pod. When they reached the top, they were able to see right across London.



Children spotted Big Ben, Buckingham Palace, the BT Tower and



were able to see right across to Wembley Stadium. They also tried naming all the bridges they could see across the Thames.

Unfortunately, it rained all morning

but this didn't stop the children from having a great time. Violet Class returned to school for lunch and then spent the rest of the afternoon recording their wonderful memories in their Topic Books.

Reported by Violet Class

Dazzling Dulwich Picture Gallery!

Year 3 enjoyed a lovely art-filled day during their visit to the Dulwich Art Gallery. The children were able to create some beautiful art of pussy willow branches. "I thought we were just going to look at pictures not make them as well!" claimed Jayden. "It was one of the best days ever," said Sadie.

Reported by Emerald Class

Toy Rabbit Goes Missing!

As part of our topic 'Out and About', Year 2 went on a walk around the local area. We went along the street, past our new school, through the park and past the shops on Albion Street. We followed a map of the local area and located different



places on the map. On our walk, we took 'Knuffle Bunny' with us but we lost him somewhere on our way back to school! If you find him, please hand him into the office!

Reported by Buttercup Class

Don't Be Afraid!

On Tuesday 28th February, Matt Ralphs- an author and editor of children's books- came to



visit our school and spoke to years 4, 5 and 6. He told us about himself; where he lives and writes (on a houseboat!); he showed us his two published books, called

'Fire Girl' and 'Fire Witch' and even played us the trailer for 'Fire Girl'. Matt explained that he enjoys writing horror as he has always loved reading this genre himself. We were all inspired to read Matt's books after meeting him and even write some horror stories of our own. The visit was a great part of World Book Week!

Reported by Turquoise Class