

# ALBION TIMES

## A NEWSPAPER BY THE CHILDREN FOR THE CHILDREN

Welcome to the Winter 2014 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! Check the school website for more amazing articles.

### Bacon's College Football Festival

In October, Green Class went to Bacon's College to take part in a football tournament. At the start of the trip, all of my class felt excited because we thought that we were going to win. It was tiring because we walked all the way on foot! When we got there, we soon got our energy back as we had to warm up. Next, we watched and played lots of matches and felt happy.

In our first match, we won with the score 3-1, and got through to the semi-final but we didn't win that match as the team we played were just too good at football!



Reported by Nicholas, Green Class (Y3)

### Norwegian Teacher Visit

Recently, around thirty five Norwegian teachers visited Albion Primary School to observe and learn how English people teach. Also, the Norwegians explored Albion Primary School because of the excellent reviews posted on line. Many of them were experienced teachers, some were just training.

The tour began with fifteen children and thirty five visitors. Each group had four teachers and explored the building inside and out. Year 5 were responsible for showing the teachers around the school. We represented our school well and gave a first class tour!

To thank Year 5, the Norwegian teachers presented us with a polar bear calendar. It now hangs proudly in our classroom!

Reported by Ellie-May and Ivan, Indigo class



(Y5)

### Monster Mayhem in Year 1

For our topic Material Monsters we created our very own monster dance. We practised using our bodies to make different monster movements, for example, a wobbly monster, a square monster, a giant monster and a twisty monster. We put our movements together to make a dance and practised using slow movements and sharp movements. Then we filmed our dance and showed it to Amber class. It was lots of fun!



Reported by  
Tangerine Class  
(Y1)



Also, as part of our topic we made Monster Smoothies. First we carefully cut up the fruit. Then we put it in the bowl. Next we slowly poured in the milk. After that we blended it with a special blender. Finally we drank our yummy smoothies and we turned into monsters. It was magic!

Reported by Sadie, Amber Class (Y1)

### The Trip to Deptford Creek

Violet Class had an outstanding trip to Deptford Creek Discovery Centre.

First, we were introduced to our leader, Brenna, who explained the geographical features of a river.



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the River  
Thames.

Then we  
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jackets, ridiculously long boots and we had to use a walking stick to help us balance whilst walking in the river. In the water we found a lot of objects, for example; a hand bag, a cog and an old DVD. We also fished for creatures and found shrimps, leeches and eels. This was a sign that the water was clean.

In the afternoon, we had a science lesson. We investigated further, using chemicals, to find out the acid/alkali levels and amount of oxygen in the river water. We proved that the water in Deptford Creek is indeed clean.

The whole day was an amazing experience and we all learnt many interesting things.

**Reported by Andrey, Britney and Archie, Violet class (Y6)**



**Lullingstone Roman Villa**  
On Monday 6th October, Blue Class went on a coach trip to Lullingstone Roman Villa because our topic was

Roman Britain.

First, we had a look around the villa and we watched a video about Roman houses. We learnt that only rich Romans could afford to put glass in their windows, so sometimes poor Romans used to steal their food from the window sill! We also learnt that Romans had pets like dogs, cats and geese.

After that, we had a workshop and we were allowed to touch some real Roman artefacts, such as oil lamps, pots and pans. It was amazing but we had to be very careful because they were extremely old. We also tried some Roman food like nut-bread, dates, dried fruit and salami. We didn't think it would be nice but actually it was delicious!



**Reported by Ayan, Maddison and Jadau, Blue Class (Y4)**

#### Rhyme Time

Scarlet Class took part in 'The Rhyme Challenge' week. This was a fun week where we learnt rhymes through talking, singing, role play and using musical instruments. Learning rhymes

helped us to improve our language, reading and writing skills. We practised classic rhymes such as 'Five Current Buns', 'Head Shoulders Knees and Toes' and 'Row Row Row your Boat'. We also learnt rhymes such as; 'Billy is Blowing his Trumpet' and 'The Park' and played musical instruments to help us learn the rhyme. "I liked the bells," reported Nmachukwu. "My favourite rhyme is Five Current

Buns," said Emilia.

**Reported by Scarlet Class (YR)**

#### Maths Days

All classes took part in maths days this term. In Crimson Class we worked in small groups, to learn how to recognise and count in multiples of 1 and 2. "I went to the hall and counted conkers. I picked the conkers up with tweezers. I had 6!" said Harley. "I liked



drawing around my hand, I have 10 fingers and 2 hands. I felt happy," said Elwan.

**Reported by Crimson Class (YR) Forest School**

At Forest School we have been exploring the forest, learning about who lives there, what we can



do there and what we can see. We have talked about the changes in seasons that we can see by looking at the trees, leaves and mini-beasts that we can find using magnifying glasses. We have especially enjoyed painting the trees, making mud pictures and searching for where the fairies live! We wrap up warm, get a little muddy and stay cosy by having our healthy snack and hot chocolate - it's lots of fun.

**Reported by Rainbow Class (Nursery)**

#### Dance Club

Every Monday, some children from Lemon Class go to



dance club after school with Laura. We get to make up dances and join them all up together. Each week, we do a warm up dance to our favourite song, 'It's my birthday'. Sometimes, we work with partners and use our own ideas and sometimes we follow special dance moves. On the last week of term, we got to do a special performance to our parents and carers who loved watching our funky steps!

**Reported by Amara and Andy, Lemon Class (Y2)**

#### Pizza Express

On Monday 6th October, Buttercup Class visited Pizza Express at London Bridge to make pizzas. First we got our coats and walked to get the bus. We got the 381 bus to London Bridge. When we arrived we had to wash our hands and put our aprons on. I was excited! Then we poured tomato sauce onto the dough and sprinkled cheese over the top. We waited for about 10 minutes and then we got to eat our pizza. It was delicious!



**Reported by Mia, Buttercup Class (Y2)**