

# Weekly Learning Reflections



## **Week Beginning: 8.9.23**

Dear Parents and guardians,

Welcome to Class Nelson's weekly newsletter of reflections. The first day back at school brought with it, shiny happy children, their excitement filled the classroom with life right to the brim.

3-2-1 and it was eggs away!

Waves of fevered excitement whipped across the class as the children dropped their parachute into the amphitheatre. Their mission was to design and make a parachute to carry their fragile payload for the longest flight, and then to land the hardboiled egg crackfree.

The children worked collaboratively to investigate the best size and shape of the canopy, and the length of strings. I am so proud of the children's big-hearted efforts to involve everyone in their group and help each other to solve problems, such as: how to stop the strings from becoming entangled, how to keep the basket level and tame the egg to stop it rolling out.

Much time was spent for the naming ceremony, the children loved coming up with corny eggciting names using wordplay, some of their names included Eggxplosion and Eggcellent and original ones, such as Blood Skull.

The parachutes were dropped to whoops and laughter.

Joe said," It was really fun because my group loved decorating the parachute."

There are so many expert parachute designers in Class Nelson as least two eggs survived the fall fracture-free although many only had the smallest hairline cracks.

This week the children have been challenging themselves to be the best version of themselves by persevering and challenging themselves in spelling and maths. Isaac said he particularly enjoyed the maths as it was fun, including buying the materials for parachute launch spending as close as possible to the £20 budget.

Ethan said, " The questions really made me think after summer holidays. They were not too hard and not too easy."

The children finished the week with a circuit of activities involving core skills and balance in PE.

The children wrote a diary of their favourite moments back at school, or during their summer holidays. Elijah said it gave him a chance to challenge himself.

### Stars of the Week

#### Pupil Star of the Week

The children chose Joe and Millie as their stars of the week. Joe was selected for being a 'good person' and for being a fantastic friend.

Millie garnered votes from across the class for the being a super friend and for being kind.

#### Teacher Star of the Week

I had a super hard job to select one shining star. I could have picked from any one of a dozen potentials.

Sonny is going in this week's Hall of Fame. He challenged himself all week and he rose and shone every day. I also chose Celia for quietly putting 100% effort into everything she did.

Have a lovely weekend with your loved ones.

Kind regards,

Amarjit