

Weekly Learning Reflections



Happy first week back!

It has been wonderful to have welcomed back the children and to hear all about the adventures during the easter break. The children have settled back into good routines and expectations – well done class Astute.

In English, we have started our new unit on narrative and closely studied the story *The Baseball Boys*, adapted from the *Balaclava boy* by George Layton. Throughout this unit, the children will delve into the key elements of narrative writing, including character development, plot structure, setting, and theme in preparation to write what happens next in the next chapter. We have also deconstructed the story and have used our Master reading skills to unpick it further. Today, we have planned using a cyclical planning template what we think should happen in the next chapter.

In Maths, we will focus on strengthening our addition and subtraction skills, alongside new learning on inverse, estimation and rounding. Our Big Problem for this unit is 'Toy store Treasure Hunt' where the children will prepare for a swashbuckling adventure at the Toy Store – solving maths problems to uncover hidden clues.

For PE, we started athletics and tennis. Today, it was tennis, and although it did start to drizzle a little bit, the children still persevered when practising using the centre of the racket face to hit the ball. We then practised feeding the ball to our partners so that we could hit it in the centre of a target.

The highlight of the week had to be performing on the Ukulele to the whole school in assembly! As it was their very first performance, the children were quite nervous but once they were standing up and ready to perform, those nervous butterflies quickly turned into exciting ones. I am so incredibly proud of Class Astute – they smashed their performance and impressed the rest of the school by sight reading the music.

And now, starts of the week!

Class start of the week goes to Noa for persevering in her work and giving it her best efforts. Noa also has been communicating respectfully by kindly helping her peers read certain questions and supporting them in answering them. Well done Noa!

Teacher star of the week goes to Ruby B for upholding amazingly high expectations for her attitude towards learning and for our school values. Ruby is also not afraid to ask for help when she needs it, which also makes her highly reflective and a successful communicator. Well done Ruby!

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend.

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