

# Weekly Learning Reflections



## **Week Beginning: 15.1.25**

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Balloons, bottles and happy shiny people, Class Nelson was a fun place. You'd be forgiven for thinking it been 'party time' in Class Nelson.

With balloons, the children discovered how the invisible can be made visible by capturing air. Using a blocked syringe, the children discovered gases can be compressed and they travel very fast. The speed at which gas travels, amazed them when a squirt of perfume filled the room within minutes. Next, the children poured liquids to understand how fluids take the shape of the container. Finally, using their findings the children generated definitions for liquids and gases.

### English

This was the week that the children took fronted adverbials by the scruff of the neck. Focusing on time, adverb or prepositions, the children practised identifying and writing sentences starting with fronted adverbials around the theme of Harry Potter. The children quickly realised adverbials at the beginning of sentences is a great technique to keep readers reading on in anticipation of how the sentence will end. The children concluded the week by planning Harry Potter's journey down Diagon Alley. I have been impressed by all their effort and willingness to challenge themselves.

### Maths

Having practised their x7 times table at the beginning of the week, the children used these facts to solve time problems. They calculated the number of days in various number of weeks and vice versa. Next, they learned how to use a calendar in order to solve reasoning problems and use their x12 facts to work the number of months in various numbers of years. Finally, they immersed themselves in an end of unit investigation to help Harry Potter evade his nemesis in the Quest of Time.

### PE

Sticks in hand, the children got to grips with the basic skills of hockey, with safety in mind. The children have been learning how to dribble the ball through obstacles and change directions. To add an extra level of challenge the children have been developing their striking techniques. They are all very excited about playing hockey for the first time.

### Children's Star of the Week

The votes were very close this week. For the boys Zakai was selected for being kind and helpful. For the girls, Isabella was chosen for being brilliant, helpful friend.

### Teacher Star of the Week

I had a hard time choosing. Finally, this week I have selected Imogen for quietly working to her best day-in, day-out.

I hope you have a super weekend with your child and loved ones.

Kind regards,

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