

## Weekly Learning Reflections



### **Week Beginning: 4.3.25**

Dear Parents and guardians,

*In a glowing parrot-green peaked cap computer character Luigi the Italian plumber, who has brought global cheer to millions, glided into class. With his bright smile, other book characters followed in during Book Day.*

The classroom quickly filled with literary characters that Tinseltown has turned into red-carpet celebrities such as Spiderman, Tinker Bell and Matilda. Harry Potter characters mingled with Star Wars nemesis Darth Vader, and a range of characters fresh off gaming screens and authors' pages.

The children excitedly shared their reasons for their book choice characters before diving between the leaves of cultural stories ranging from Eastern Bloc tales such as Babushka to animal moral stories from Africa and wild west America where slavery tore wild.

### Poetry

After planning their beastly poems, the children got down to writing their imagery rich verses by carefully using figurative language to enhance imagery of things from the depths of their imagination. The children became aware of the challenges of pithy poetry writing and the demands it puts to using the appropriate language with precision for effect. Finally, they worked hard on creating a beat by adjusting the syllable count.

### Maths

Why can fractions look so different yet still have equal value? Using fraction walls, the children explored how to find families of fractions to demystify the complexities of equivalent fractions. I am proud of the children for persevering to understand the abstract world of fractions. I am also impressed with the children's continued effort to learn their times tables, their hard work is paying dividends- confidence and accurate recall of facts at pace is plain to see on their TT Rockstars scores. A big well done to all the children, please keep up your continued encouragement.

### Science:

“ Ground Control to Major Tom  
“Your circuit's dead, there's something wrong  
Can you hear me, Major Tom?”

With communications down, what can an astronaut do while on a space walk outside the International Space Station? David Bowie's Space Oddity conundrum was to become a problem the children had to crack by applying their learning.

The children first explored how and why sound travels through different media. Then having discovered sound travels fastest through solids and slowest through gases, the children were able to go Mayor Tom's aid. With the radio down, tapping out the Morse code through the walls is a perfect solution to help Major Tom the children concluded.

#### Children's Star of the Week

Isabelle and Seb were chosen as stars of the week for being good friends and helpful coaches.

#### Teacher Star of the Week

Finally, this week I have selected Alana for being a superstar.

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

Kind regards,

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