

The Livity School Weekly Newsletter

School News

Please remember to call the school office at 8.15am if your child is going to be absent.

Red Class

This week in Red Class, the children had a great time exploring different textures in cooking! We started with dry spaghetti, which the children enjoyed crunching and rubbing between their fingers. Some were even curious to see how it felt near their lips! Next, we added some bright green coloured rice. The children were fascinated by the colour and texture, some couldn't wait to dive in, whilst others took their time to explore more gently. Their hands were busy mixing, swirling, and squishing all the ingredients together to make wonderful marks and patterns. The children loved this hands-on sensory play, which helped them to explore new textures, develop fine motor skills and express their creativity in a fun and engaging way.



Yellow Class

We've had another busy week in Yellow Class. In cooking we made pizza bagels. All the pupils did a brilliant job at requesting their preferred ingredients. We also completed our final painting to music session. The pupils matched their painting to the tempo of the songs and produced some wonderful artwork. We now have it displayed in Yellow Class.



Dragonfly Class

This week, Dragonfly children participated in sensory activities to celebrate Diwali. The children created a collage and chose their preferred colours to recreate a Rangoli pattern. They also enjoyed exploring natural resources related to Autumn and chose their favourite stories to read.



Pink Class

This week Pink Class celebrated Black History Month. In P.E. the children responded to different rhythms from African music on a traditional drum. Also, the children decorated a portrait of Rosa Parks. They stuck on different coloured papers to create a beautiful frame. They used their fine motor skills to place the paper around the pictures well.



Blue Class

Last week, we had some special visitors who led a fun Movement Works session with the children. One of the activities was passing a bean bag around the circle. When each child got the bean bag they did a movement and everyone copied it. This supported the children to take turns and have fun together.



Orange Class

This week, the children in Orange Class enjoyed taking part in an experiment, looking at how different chemicals react to each other. The children helped to mix baking soda, washing up liquid and food colouring in a clear plastic bottle. After the vinegar was added, the bottle was shaken by the staff and opened for an exciting explosion. The children reacted with lots of giggles.



Bumblebee Class

This week, Bumblebee Class have been learning about 2D shapes through a range of activities. The children have been encouraged to notice and explore the different shapes. They used puzzles, art materials and looked for shapes around the classroom. They have also enjoyed making shape pictures, sorting shapes, and using playdough to press and mould shapes. We have also had fun with shape songs and rhymes that use actions to support learning through movement.



Gold Class

This week, the pupils in Gold Class followed the steps to make fat balls to take home and feed the birds in the cold winter months. The pupils used their preferred communication system and visuals to make requests. They then followed the steps to fill up the moulds with the seed mixture. During our How my World Works lesson, the pupils sequenced the steps to make a snowstorm in a bottle, using white paint, baby oil and a effervescent tablet. The pupils observed the reaction and made comments on it.



Green Class

This week, Green Class had a wonderful time celebrating Diwali by creating their very own firework paintings. The children explored

colours and patterns to represent the festival's vibrant celebrations. We've also been busy strengthening our fine motor skills with a fun and sensory activity, searching for our favourite objects hidden in a tray of spaghetti! It was a fantastic way to encourage the use of our hands whilst exploring the different textures of the spaghetti and having lots of fun.



Rainbow Class

This week we have been looking at the seasonal change in trees and plants. We have looked at the changing colour of leaves in Autumn and did leaf printing to create our own artwork. We thought carefully about our colour choice for each season and enjoyed seeing the print of the leaves on our own artwork!



Purple Class

This week in Purple Class the pupils engaged in exploring the jungle animals from the story 'Dear Zoo' as part of their My Communication lesson. In their My Thinking lesson the pupils carefully matched numbers with quantities, showing great focus and accuracy.



Butterfly Class

This week, Butterfly Class have enjoyed a Black History Month food exploration session. We have explored cornmeal porridge, plantain chips and Jollof rice. The children have also been working on sensory stories and the anticipation of events when engaging in the story.



Silver Class

This week, Silver Class took part in a special activity to celebrate Black History Month. The pupils learned about significant figures in Black History and explored their contributions through creative expression. The focus was on Malcolm X, an influential civil rights leader. The pupils created picture phrases using his name, combining images and key words to reflect his life and message. As part of the activity, pupils were actively engaged in cutting, sticking, and gluing, which supported the development of their fine motor skills and hand-eye coordination. They also practised their handwriting and spelling by writing words that connected to Malcolm X's story and values.



Unicorn Class

Unicorn Class constructed some papier-mâché volcanos during their science lesson at Elm Court. Everyone worked together as a team, sharing the resources and turn taking. They later used the volcanoes as staging for an experiment that created a volcano eruption.



Ladybird Class

This week Ladybird Class have enjoyed engaging in a hand printing activity. They have had a great sensory experience whilst creating a poster for the classroom related to our topic of 'Belonging'. The children have also been developing their ICT skills by trying to learn to operate a laptop.



Don't Forget

All our term dates are available on our website
<https://www.thelivingschool.co.uk>

Term One Ends: Thursday 23rd October
Inset Days: Friday 24th October
Inset Days: Monday 3rd November
Term Two Begins: Tuesday 4th November
Term Two Ends: Friday 19th December

Family Group – 9.30 -10.30am

Thursday 6th November Online Safety and Attendance

Parent information session and discussion of screen time for children. Support with play vs. screen-time.

Thursday 20th November Meet the Nurse and physio team.

Parent and Carers' Wellbeing Group - 9.30 - 10.30am

Friday 14th November Welcome drinks and cake.

We will also learn about general wellbeing strategies.

Friday 12th December Mindfulness

Join us for an introductory session on Mindfulness, which will include a simple session for attendees.