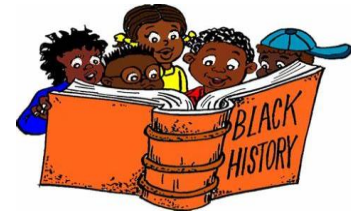




### School News



Today the students of Elmcourt School treated us to a steel pan performance in the hall. They were fantastic!

During October we are celebrating *Black History Month*. We are looking forward to a focused week of activities starting next week, from the 18<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> of October.

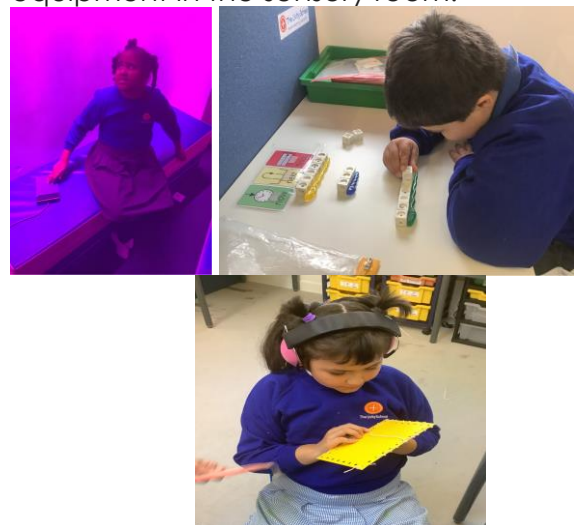
#### Red Class

In Red Class we have music every week with Kim. She brought in her violin this week, which the children really enjoyed. They were able to make sounds with it! We have been learning about Trinidad as our country during Black History Month. They enjoyed playing steel pan along to music from Trinidad. It's been fun learning about a different country, looking at food, fruits, music and dress.



#### Gold Class

In Gold Class this week we have been comparing lengths and measuring using non-standard units. We enjoyed some relaxing activities. We also practiced how to operate equipment in the sensory room.



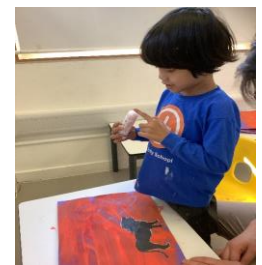
#### Yellow Class

Yellow Class children have been learning about Ivory Coast. They made flags using pattern materials with different textures and Kente pattern pictures. They also cooked fufu (pounded yam) and explored it with their hands.



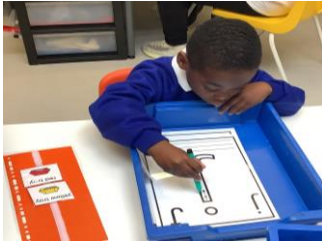
#### Pink Class

Another busy week in Pink Class. We've been continuing our story, *Handa's Surprise*, and have been doing some art inspired by a Kenyan sunset using animal silhouettes and lots of paint. We've also been doing some fantastic choice making and collaborative cooking; making rocky road squares.



## Blue Class

This week in Blue Class, children had great fun during dance class. They particularly enjoyed dressing up with ethnic garments to celebrate Black History Month.



## Orange Class

In Orange Class this week, we have had a lot of fun whilst learning and developing our social skills. For this purpose, children have been encouraged to explore and play with toys, passing them to the peer sitting next to them and some of them have demonstrated a great ability to share.



## Ladybird Class

Ladybirds Class have been developing math's numbers and counting skills through sensory play in and outside the classroom. We have also been looking and expressing our emotions and feelings.



## Rainbow Class

This week we were able to go on a trip to College Lodge at Dulwich Park focusing on our topic of Harvest/Changes. We did cooking, music and dancing. We had a great time and everyone enjoyed the day. We are looking forward to next week's Black History Month activities.



## Green Class

This week we really enjoyed creating eruptions using vinegar, bicarbonate of soda, washing up liquid and food colouring. It was exciting watching all the bubbles it created. We also made slime using coconut oil and corn flour.



## Purple Class

Purple Class this week went on a trip for harvest topic and made some bread and listen to songs. Also, we have been doing Handa's surprise for our English topic and have been learning the name and sounds of different animals. In Science we did the cola and Mentos experiment and saw the jet of bubbles explode upwards!



## Butterfly Class

This week in Butterfly Class we have explored tactile and sensory books during our literacy session. The pupils really responded by pulling, pushing, pressing and holding on to what they could feel.



## Silver Class

This week in art we have been doing self portraits. We were focussing on the artist Andy Warhol and did our portraits in his style.

## Stay Alert to the Symptoms of Coronavirus



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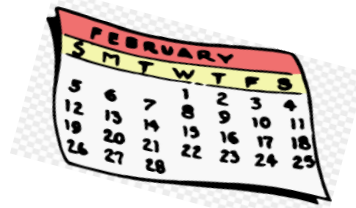
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## Dates for your Diary 2021



22 October  
1<sup>st</sup> Nov

**Last Day of School Term**  
**First Day of School Term**

All our term dates are available on our website.

## Don't Forget

The new **school website**

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