

# Milford News

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We have arrived at the end of the first half of the Spring 2024 term – it has felt like quite a whirlwind in school since Christmas with lots going on in just a few short weeks! I have previously shared with you my own news that I will be finishing at Milford at the end of this term – I am currently working hard to ensure that things are ready for a successful Summer term with Mr Turner as the Acting Head Teacher during this time. We are also busy working towards the appointment of the next permeant Head Teacher and hope to be able to update you all about this prior to the Easter holidays.

Lots of exciting things have happened in and out of school this half-term...

#### EYFS - Chinese New Year!

All children in EYFS took part in a Chinese New Year workshop where they listened to Chinese music and learnt different styles of dance. This included fan dances, umbrella dances and the best of all, the Chinese Dragon dance. It was very long and extremely heavy to hold. The children also enjoyed some Chinese food tasting in Nursery and came to school wearing red.





#### **Art ambassadors**

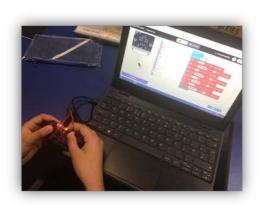
Milford Creative Ambassadors from Years 3 – 6 collaborated to make a snowy mountain scene. Pupils researched pom-pom making and helped each to learn this new skill. This amazing was exhibited at Lakeside Arts outside the theatre for performances of, 'The Boy Who Cried Wolf'. It is now back in school where it will be put on display! Well done Creative Ambassadors!



# <u>Creative collaboratives Project</u>

Milford continue to be heavily involved in a nationwide project to explore creativity within the primary school – we have been working with two local artists on various projects in different year groups.

Year 3 have been using Micro-bit to create Roman creatures with icons and sound! They integrated the Micro-bit technology into cardboard creature designs. They were very creative balancing design and technology with Art and design ideas.







Year 4 have been working alongside Roma from the Creative Collaboratives to design Rainforest animals. We have also been improving our coding skills by programming Microbits to add to our animals.



## Year 6 National Justice Museum Trip

As part of their topic on crime and punishment, the Year 6 children enjoyed a fantastic trip to the National Justice Museum. They spent part of the day acting out the trial of a girl called Carly Cooper who had been accused of robbery. The children were given roles as either barristers, solicitors, the judge, the jury, witnesses, the usher or the clerk and the trial played out in a Victorian courtroom. The children then explored the museum where they met some costumed characters who taught them all about prison life in the past. The visit really helped bring the 'Crime and Punishment' topic to life!





#### Year 5 stargazing event!

Children in Year 5 attended school on the evening of Thursday 1st February 2024 to take part in a stargazing science event. The children were able to explore constellations through a planetarium, enjoy a range of astronaut-based activities and venture outside to spot some stars! A great evening!



## **Cross Country County Finals Event**

On Saturday 3rd February Owen in Year 6 represented Milford and Nottingham City Schools in the Cross Country County Finals. Earlier this year, Owen qualified for the final by finishing 7th out of over 100 boys at the Nottingham City Cross Country event.

Owen showed brilliant resilience and determination to run a 1,500m track over undulating terrain on a cold February morning. Owen's wonderful efforts resulted in him finishing a very impressive 19th place out of over 100 runners on the day!

Owen said, "I found the run very challenging. I was second place until running up a steep hill but I am proud to hold on for 19th place. It was a lot more physical than I thought but I really enjoyed the experience."

Milford is incredibly proud of Owen's achievement which truly reflects 'Aim high, achieve'.





#### Spring term parents' evenings

We will be holding our Spring term parents' evenings on the following dates:

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March

More information about how to book via our online booking system will be sent out to you after half-term.

We now look forwards to a good break for staff and children over the February half-term week. We look forward to seeing you all back in school on Monday 19th February! We have lots of exciting events planned for our children as we move towards Easter 2024!