

Visit to the Maritime Museum

This Monday we went to the Maritime Museum and we had lots of fun, learned lots of new things, we watched a little movie. We were stuck on the middle of the sea and we had to go and see if we could find the anchor. We also saw lots of boats they were beautiful, they had gold and were very nice, we had a lot of fun. We learned about lots of fish, the blue whale and jellyfish. We also learned that in the presentation we were wrong about jellyfish, we thought they didn't have organs but that was not true, they have organs but not much of them and octopus have about 42 mouths lots in each tentacle. We all got some headphones that they gave us, and each time we saw a video or a hologram, etc we could hear it, it was super cool and as you were walking if you weren't watching a video or hologram, etc it explained information about the sea boats and lots of different stuff or it just put lovely sea music.

By Sara and Judit



Announcements

Date	Event	Notes
28.2.18 5.3.18	Violin lessons	Violin lessons changed from 28.2.18 and 5.3.18 to 1.3.18 and 9.3.18. Children to bring violins on these days
23.3.18	Presentation of Projects	All parents welcome to attend from 3:30
23.3.18	Last day of school before Easter Holidays	School term will commence on Tuesday 3rd April.
14.3.18	History Museum	19th and 20th Century Help with transport from parents will be greatly appreciated. Please contact Maria for more information.

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About us as a school

Working in pairs in a multi-level class

In a traditional classroom the teacher controls the class and there isn't a very active role for the students.

Working in pairs makes students autonomous learners, they work collaboratively for their own learning. The classroom is transformed to a place where learners come together for interaction and can learn in a more natural way. According to recent research carried out by Domingo (2014) it has been shown that multi-level class and working in pairs is successful and beneficial for pupils. The older students have to prepare either an activity, workshop or topic, they have to design, prepare and find the resources and they have to manage the small group learning process. The teacher becomes an observer and helper of all the different groups running table to table.

The older students are fully motivated to prepare their group, they are learning while they are planning the activity and doing research. During the class all of the students have an active role, the younger students are amazed by their also young teachers, they keep a high concentration during the activity. Once the workshop is done the learning group moves to another table to start a new activity, making the class very exciting and keeping motivation for the full session. In these classrooms we have been working as scientists with microscopes, electric circuits, we have been learning songs, drama, maths, solving problems, phonics, arts and crafts activities and we done experiments like the ants restaurant.

These classes give a good opportunity for reinforcing learning and strengthening knowledge with all the class-mates improving their social skills.

Maria Bellmont
Principal



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Pancake Day

The pancake day falls on the 13 of February on Tuesday this year.

The pancake days is on Tuesday where we celebrate the day before Anxs Wednesday, which is 40 days before Easter.

Pancake day has lots of names: fat Tuesday pancake Tuesday, shrove Tuesday or just Pancake day. The pancake day has been celebrated for more than a 1000 years.

The British use more than a 52 million eggs on pancake day the compared to 22 million usually. The highest pancake stack reached measured in all 329 cm.



By Sara B

Balanced argument: Should mobile phones be banned for under 12 year olds ?

This argument is to discuss if children under 12 should have mobile phones. I will give you 2 reasons for which children should be allowed to have a mobile phones and 2 reasons for which children under 12 shouldn't have mobile phones.

Yes they should have mobiles: The first point I would like to make is that of course as every one knows mobile phones a very useful in emergencies as they are small and handy to carry around. Secondly mobile phones are also very good for talking and to phone you family and friends especially if you parents are separated and you want to talk to them every day or if you have friends in an other country etc.

No they shouldn't have mobiles: However children who are allowed to have mobile phones in their bedrooms increase 30% in obesity and have a much higher risk at having a heart attack and a gravely short life (proven by the Centre for disease control and prevention 2010). Furthermore technology overuse is the main cause of child depression, anxiety, attachment disorder, arguing back to parents/ teachers, serious problematic child's mental problem and behaviour (proven by Bristol university 2010, Mentzoni 2011, Robisson 2008)

Conclusion I feel that children under 12 shouldn't have a mobile phone although it can be useful in some points it is also bad and dangerous in the other side, and can be a very bad influence on children. Some children say they are good for learning and studying but how are you supposed to do research on educative sites that your teacher says if you can't even read properly in the mobile phone or how can you do google classroom, you can't go zooming each letter not even the educational games teach you. Have you learnt anything from them? It is not very usually recommended by scientists or teachers.

By Judit B

Work Experience

I liked the experience of being hairdresser because i have been taught many things like washing the head of a client, attending to him, cutting his hair, folding towels,drying his hair and sweeping up the hair.

By Eric



What we've been up to this month



Minerals

Cubic Zirconia

This mineral is like a diamond they used to make rings and bracelets ... You can see the difference with other mineral because it's like a diamond or a ball with glass inside. There are of deferents colours like green, blue, pink, purple, an red.

Quartz

Is like went you see the ice in the top of your home is come of a cave of United Kingdom it is a reliable, peculiar mineral and you can find two colours: white and purple.

By Tatiai





We've had a very busy month of February ! The older children have been teaching the younger children once a week, we've been to the Maritime museum, to a farm to celebrate the birth of a baby donkey and goats, and to the seaside. Some have learnt all about the secret life of ants and others about poetry. Of course we've also been swimming a weekly, doing music lessons, and making lots of progress on our upcoming play, Annie. What a month !

their mind to give them all the answers they seek, lack of understanding can lead them to hurtful, irrational experiences that they simply don't understand.

Element: Earth
 Quality: Mutable
 Colour: Grey, beige, pale-yellow
 Day: Wednesday
 Ruler: Mercury
 Greatest overall compatibility: Pisces, Cancer
 Lucky numbers: 5, 14, 15, 23, 32

Libra (September 23 – October 22) The Scales

A balance weighs and measures; so do Libra natives. Librans seek equality, harmony, and balance. The scales are also a symbol of justice. The people born under the Sign Libra are kind, gentle and lovers of beauty, harmony and peace. However, in their effort to keep everyone happy, they find it difficult to say "NO" to anyone, and as a result, they end up getting stressed. They have a lot of positive traits, but some negative ones, too.

Element: Air
 Quality: Cardinal
 Colour: Pink, Green
 Day: Friday
 Ruler: Venus
 Greatest overall compatibility: Aries, Sagittarius
 Lucky numbers: 4, 6, 13, 15, 24

Scorpio (October 23 – November 21) The Scorpion/ Eagle

The Scorpio-born are strong willed and mysterious, and they know how to effortlessly grab a limelight, as they possess what it takes to achieve their goals. They have a magnetic charm that can't be ignored. Scorpios are thought to be rather cunning, and sometimes revengeful.

Element: Water
 Quality: Fixed
 Colour: Scarlet, Red, Rust
 Day: Tuesday
 Ruler: Pluto, Mars
 Greatest overall compatibility: Taurus, Cancer
 Lucky numbers: 8, 11, 18, 22

Sagittarius (November 22 – December 21) The Archer

Sagittarius born are brave and full of confidence. They can take on the most difficult challenges in life, much more efficiently than most other signs. And one important reason for their positivity lies in their open-mindedness. They are the ones who believe in moving on and exploring. Indeed, they are great

admirers of freedom. However, this want for freedom can sometimes make them impatient and tactless.

Element: Fire
 Quality: Mutable
 Colour: Blue
 Day: Thursday
 Ruler: Jupiter
 Greatest overall compatibility: Gemini, Aries
 Lucky numbers: 3, 7, 9, 12, 21

Capricorn (December 22 – January 19) The Goat

This Sign Capricorn signifies stability, balance and wisdom. People born under this Sign are also known as the Goats. They are sensitive, sensible and secure in their own space. They do not take impulsive decisions but will act aggressively to get what they want.

Element: Earth
 Quality: Cardinal
 Colour: Brown, Black
 Day: Saturday
 Ruler: Saturn
 Greatest overall compatibility: Taurus, Cancer
 Lucky numbers: 4, 8, 13, 22

Pisces (February 19 – March 20) The Fish

The natives born under the Sign Pisces are generous and emotional. They are quite popular in their social circles for being a genuine friend to everyone. They value human relations the most and put the people he/she loves above everything else. However, they also possess some negative traits.

Element: Water
 Quality: Mutable
 Colour: Mauve, Lilac, Purple, Violet, Sea green
 Day: Thursday
 Ruler: Neptune, Jupiter
 Greatest overall compatibility: Virgo, Taurus
 Lucky numbers: 3, 9, 12, 15, 18, 24

By Blanca

What's your star sign ?

Aquarius (January 20 – February 18) The Water Bearer

The Aquarius-born people are humanitarians to the core. They are progressive and modern lot. Broad-minded and creative, they are the real truth-seekers. Being affectionate and friendly by nature, the Aquarius-born are very attractive and popular. However, their frankness can cut both ways.
 Element: Air
 Quality: Fixed
 Colour: Light-blue, silver
 Day: Saturday
 Ruler: Uranus, Saturn
 Greatest overall compatibility: Leo, Sagittarius
 Lucky numbers: 4, 7, 11, 22, 29

Aries (March 21- April 19) The Ram

Aries are enterprising, incisive, spontaneous, daring, active, courageous and energetic, the Aries are the proverbial infants, guileless and optimistic to the fault. However, they also are impatient, vain, proud and egoistic. They may also be liable to come across as selfish, jealous, coarse, ruthless and violent.
 Element: Fire
 Quality: Cardinal
 Colour: Red
 Day: Tuesday
 Ruler: Mars
 Greatest overall compatibility: Libra, Leo
 Lucky numbers: 1, 8, 17

Taurus (April 20 – May 20) The Bull

Smart, ambitious, and trustworthy, Taurus is the anchor of the Zodiac. Amazing friends, colleagues and partners. Taureans value honesty above all else and are proud that their personal relationships tend to be drama free.
 Element: Earth
 Quality: Fixed
 Colour: Green, pink
 Day: Friday, Monday
 Ruler: Venus
 Greatest overall compatibility: Scorpio, Cancer
 Lucky numbers: 2, 6, 9, 12, 24

Gemini (May 21 – June 20) The Twins

Geminis are said to have dual nature, as symbolized by twins. This duality also represents exchange and

interaction. The sign of Gemini is closely associated with the exchange of ideas, communication, and trade.
 Element: Air
 Quality: Mutable
 Colour: Light-green, yellow
 Day: Wednesday
 Ruler: Mercury
 Greatest overall compatibility: Sagittarius, Aquarius
 Lucky numbers: 5, 7, 14, 23

Cancer (June 21 – July 22) The Crab

The Crabs are mostly the family types. Their personality can be quite complicated, but deep inside they are conservative and home-loving people. They love to be in a familiar surroundings and nurture their relationships. To understand a Cancer-born more thoroughly, we can look at their positive and negative qualities.
 Element: Water
 Quality: Cardinal
 Colour: White
 Day: Monday, Thursday
 Ruler: Moon
 Greatest overall compatibility: Capricorn, Taurus
 Lucky numbers: 2, 3, 15, 20

Leo (July 23 – August 22) The Lion

The majestic lion, the King of the Beasts, is Leo's symbol. Throughout history, the lion has symbolized sovereignty, rulership, and courage. "The lion's size and strength have captured human imagination since ancient times". Leos, like lions are thought to be strong leaders. They generally have a regal quality to them, and possess a noble manner that is hard to miss.
 Element: Fire
 Quality: Fixed
 Colour: Gold, yellow, orange
 Day: Sunday
 Ruler: Sun
 Greatest overall compatibility: Aquarius, Gemini
 Lucky numbers: 1, 3, 10, 19

Virgo (August 23 – September 22) The Virgin

Virgo is considered the most intelligent sign in the zodiac, as the place where Mercury is exalted. They are in fact truly practical and smart when it comes to everyday issues. The greatest weakness of any Virgo hides in their emotional world. While they rely on



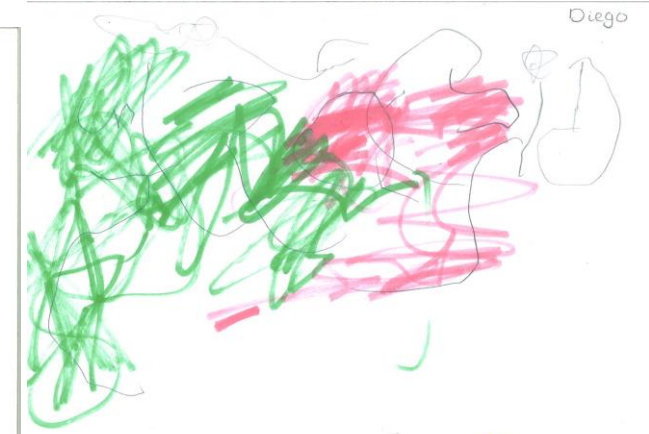
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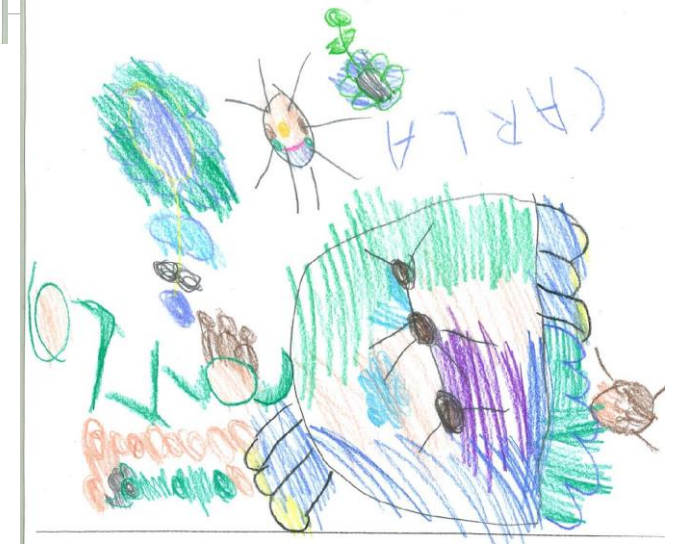


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the mouth
 like scissors



SMONCEY
 some ants can fly

Jordi
Superhero ants
SUPERHEROANTS

ants can eat heavy things
ants can eat heavy things

ants can stay for a long time
under water superhero ants can make tunnels

Alena
Home

they live under ground in tunnels
topis.

Leah

some ants can fly

Nico
super hero ants

The big ant can bite super fast. The ant can stay under the water

MATEO

6 legs

Noa
super hero ants

the Wocha ants can swim and can stay on the Wocha. the ant can carry twenty ants.

Elias
super hero ants

Ants live under water. ants can carry bees. ants bite quickly.

good eyes
Naia

home

They live under ground in lots of tunnels. they have a room for babies.