



WINTER NEWSLETTER



Ecole Internationale Franco- Anglaise

Duchess House, our new home.

Dear Parents and Students,

The weeks are flying by, with less than one week to go before the February break and a well-deserved chance to relax. I am taking the opportunity to give you an update on Duchess House.

We are still running the construction work on time and moving date is slated during the week of 4 April 2016. Students will be able to enjoy their new premises from the first day of the Summer term. But as you know with any construction project, things may not go quite as planned and we will keep you informed throughout.

Year 5 and 6 and all of the Senior school will visit their new school during the first week of March. Parents will be invited shortly thereafter.

In the meantime, please see the latest photos of the ground floor offices, science lab, music room and a few classrooms.

I would like to wish you a nice and relaxing half term break!
Isabelle Faulkner



PS/ NURSERY

En janvier, la classe de PS a fêté les rois. Après avoir réalisé leur couronne et cuisiné chacun leur galette, ils se sont beaucoup amusés à tirer les rois et les reines selon la tradition du partage de la galette des rois



GS/ Year 1

Year 1 prepared long and hard for the Christmas concert. They absolutely love singing and performing. The poem and music were not easy to learn but with a lot of hard work, they managed to achieve a super performance and they really pleased the crowd. Miss Smith was very happy to sing with Year 1 on the day, it was a big class secret! The class listened really well and did a wonderful job. Miss Smith cannot wait to do another duet.

Year 1 recited the lovely poem, *I've got a ball of pastry*. They broke the poem into groups and each group recited a verse. It was well learned and beautifully executed. Well done, Year 1.



En grande section, nous avons travaillé sur la recette de la galette des rois.

Nous avons fait des galettes, elles étaient délicieuses. Nous avons ensuite travaillé sur l'histoire de Florence Desnouveaux "La moufle". Nous avons fait des ateliers autour de cette histoire. Nous avons également continué notre projet commencé avec les CE2 autour de l'élaboration d'histoires.



Year 3/ CE1

Le second et le troisième trimestres seront axés sur l'expression !!!

Expression orale, avec tous les après-midi en français des exposés sur les thèmes préférés des enfants. Nous avons décidé d'appeler cela "exposés & curiosités". Tous les élèves sont très motivés et nous apprenons beaucoup de choses !!!

Expression écrite, on réinvente une histoire... et on fait parler les animaux... à partir de l'album *Les 3 grains de riz*.

Les élèves participeront à un rallye lecture, intitulé les incorruptibles...

En mars, les enfants participeront à des ateliers sur le journalisme, dans le cadre de la semaine de la presse.

Les enfants vont correspondre avec une autre classe de CE1 en France.



CP-CE1

Les CP et CP/CE1 ont d'abord présenté le projet: Qui sommes-nous ?

Chaque enfant a enregistré sur une bande son sa présentation : son prénom, sa ou ses nationalités et les langues parlées. Ensuite, ils ont localisé sur le planisphère les différents pays dont ils sont originaires.

Les élèves ont également montré le film conçu lors de la sortie scolaire « Cendrillon on Ice ».

Enfin les CE1 ont projeté lors de l'assemblée le film qu'ils ont créé autour de l'album des trois grains de riz. Vous pouvez le consulter via ce lien : <https://voice.adobe.com/a/AwM4V>

Year 2-3

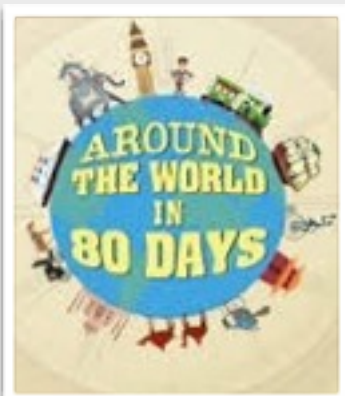


January was the first opportunity for Y2 and the mixed Y 2-3 class to present a class assembly. The children showcased their outstanding writing to the whole school. Since September, the children have been working on writing their own version of Cinderella in which the main character was a boy and recently they have learnt to describe their settings with the use of adjectives. Both teachers and children were amazed at how confident they were in their presentation.



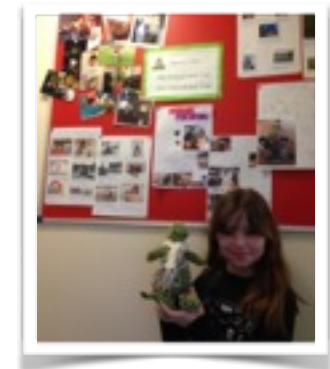
Year 5 /CM1

This term year 5 have been studying Around the World in 80 Days by Jules Verne. We have written brilliant diary entries retelling the adventures of Phileas Fogg and his trusty manservant Jean Passepartout. The story takes place in the 19th century and features a wealthy businessman on a bet to travel the world in 80 days! As you can imagine Year 5 have learnt tons of new facts about travelling the world on a ferry or in a hot air balloon! If you have the chance then come and check out our brilliant display board in the Year 5 classroom.



Year 4 / CE2

Year 4 started off the year 2016 by creating their own New Year's resolution poems, based on an original poem studied in the class. The children have also started working on a correspondence project with another Year 4 class in a school in Rabat, Morocco. In English, the class filmed a little 'welcome video' introducing themselves and the school, while with Mme Schwab they have begun writing their first letters to post. In Art, both classes created some beautiful Moroccan inspired doorways and other paintings. Other topics this half-term have included the administrative boundaries of France (in Geography); the beginning of the Ancient Greek civilisation (in History) which led to some creative writing of our own Greek Myths; and energy and electricity (in Science) where we have been experimenting by constructing different electrical circuits in class. A busy start to the year!



Royal Mail Young Letter Writing Competition

Year 4 received 'runners-up' certificates for their dream-job-application letters for the competition in November.



After-school clubs

Rugby- Mr Kuhn/ Mr Nioche

Come and join us on Tuesday evenings from 15.40 to 17.00!

We will soon be training in Regent's Park and we already have a brilliant team. Martin from Year 5 says 'Rugby club is really good we learn a lot of different strategies and we have to challenge ourselves to become great players!'

Yaan from Year 3 ' I like it when we learn to pass from the sides and I also like the invasion games we play together'.

Eugenie from Year 3 who is our only girl would really like more girls to join us. She says ' I really like everything about Rugby club! It's so cool!'



Art and Craft - Mme Slimi

Voici un aperçu du club Art&Craft. A l'aide de feuilles de magazine, les enfants ont découvert une technique de "papier roulé" leur permettant de créer un joli tableau.



Music and Drama

Our annual Christmas concert was a huge success again this year. Everyone worked very hard to show the wide range of talents we have at school, from Nursery children singing Christmas carols, soloist singing beautifully, piano, guitar and violin players, poems and plays.

I am always so proud of everyone and it is a great pleasure, if a little nerve wracking! It is lovely to see all our hard work come together on the day and a delight to share our performances with parents.



Médiathèque

Les élèves de l'élémentaire sont inscrits au prix littéraire des Incorruptibles pour l'année scolaire 2015-2016. Les jeunes lecteurs devront lire une sélection adaptée à leur niveau et voter pour leur ouvrage favori. Les élèves de CE2 et de CM1 poursuivent la découverte des récits sous la forme d'un rallye-lecture tandis que des animations ont eu lieu avec les élèves de CM2 à la médiathèque. Les élèves de CM2, de 6^{ème} et de 5^{ème}, encadrés par leurs enseignants, ont créé différents jeux autour des mots en prévision de leur rencontre autour de ce projet.



Reminders and Upcoming Events

Chinese New Year: Friday 26th February 2016

Spring holidays: Thursday 25th March- Monday 11th April 2016

Holiday club: Monday 4th- Friday 8th April 2016

Semaine de la presse: 14-21st Mars 2016

Parent-teacher meeting: 22nd-23rd March from 2pm-5pm.

Concours Kangourou: Thursday 17th March 2016

Sortie CM2 bio diversité : 22-23 March 2016

