# **Primary 1-4 Class:**

Welcome back everyone! I hope you all had a smashing holiday! Here we go again with another blog from P1-4!

#### Awards!



You all know I like to begin with some fantastic news! Well, here it is...

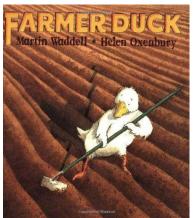
Elsie has just completed her 4times table! She has answered sixty questions in five minutes and has achieved a gold credit card!

This is such a great start to a new term! I'm wondering whether Elsie has been having a try over the holidays...

Congratulations, Elsie! It's a mixed bag next – 2,3,4,5 and 10! I know you will be ready for this next challenge!

#### This Term:

This term we are going to be looking at a range of stories by the same author. Martin Waddell has written some lovely picture book stories, usually involving animals and we are beginning this term with "Farmer Duck". We couldn't wait to get started on our own Farmer Duck crafts!















The theme of Farmer Duck is all about bullying and the feelings surrounding it. The lazy farmer stays in bed all day, while the duck does all the work! The other animals recognise that this is not fair! It's a great read if anyone is interested!

...And speaking of Farmer Duck, David has been trying really hard to make up some of these words using the magnetic letters. I am SO proud of you, David when you are just learning your sounds! Smashing effort!









I actually didn't realise how many of us already own a Martin Waddell book! Here are two members of his fan club!

#### **Primary Three Bookbags!**



Here's Elsie with her bookbag!

These were given out at the end of last term and Elsie missed getting hers!

I had it waiting for you, Elsie! It's been in the classroom over the holiday! We hope you enjoy it!

# **Library**

Our first visit to the library! Jana was waiting for us with a little task! We have some postcards from our friends in Ilminster, Somerset. Some of you may remember we wrote to them about six months ago. We need to get busy with some replies... more news to come I suspect...

Here we are with our usual browsing!























...So on Friday we got busy on Jana's request! Can you have some cards ready to send out? Er...yes, we can!



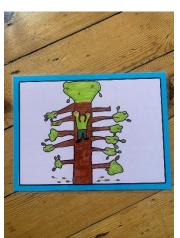






















#### Job done!

Well done everyone! We will wait to see what happens as a result of our postcard writing...

As usual – a lovely standard of work from you all!

#### **Sharing:**



Here's George with Meg.

What a lovely little dog! George tells us he acquired little Meg on a recent trip to Uist.

I think she looks very happy with her new owner, George! Thank you for sharing her with us!

# Wet Playtime!

A bit of a change for us this week when Kerry put on some movement for wet playtime! I think we got into the spirit of things! Robert is enjoying the groove — and so is Paddy - encouraged by Zoe and Cooper!







Paddy has been enjoying the delights of a brand-new sand pit! He has made some super sand castles! He has also got busy with matching numbers to Numicon!









It was great to finish our short week off with a Mr. Men story.... Here's Mr. Bump!

#### The Nest – an update...

I have been up to The Nest this afternoon to see how things are. It's been 18 months since we were up there – and we need to get busy! I can't believe the growth that has taken place during the intervening period. We had managed to get down to ground level, but as you can see from my pictures – nature waits for no-one!







#### My thoughts as follows:

- We need man/ parent power to try and shift as much vegetation as we can, so we can return to where we were before.
- We need to get some sort of covering on the ground to stop weeds from taking hold. I need to have a think about that and see if we could get any local firms involved. I suppose that depends if any firm wants the publicity....
- The children can be involved in clearing small areas so it would be great if adults and children can visit together.

I will speak to Mr. Murray in the first instance and see what plans we can make from there. If there is anyone that can give even a small amount of time just let me know.

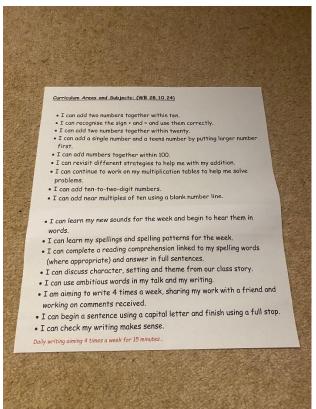
Our bench, by the way, is still going strong, but the plaque is showing some signs of the weather....

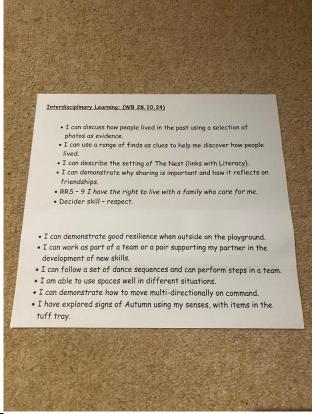


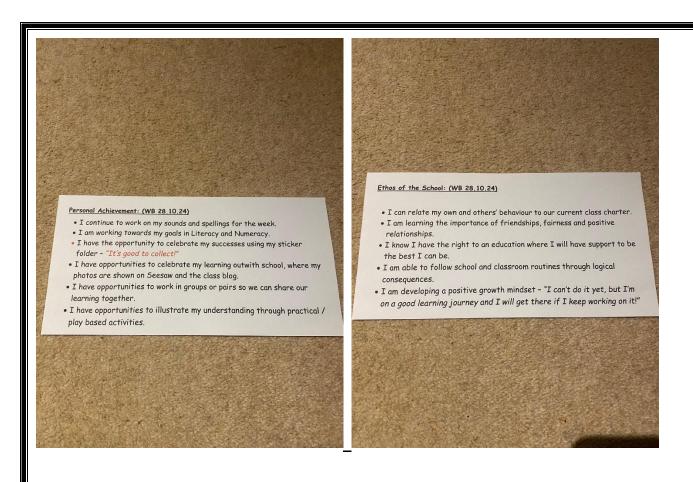


### **Next learning Block:**

Our forthcoming learning block is outlined below...







Have a great weekend, everyone!