

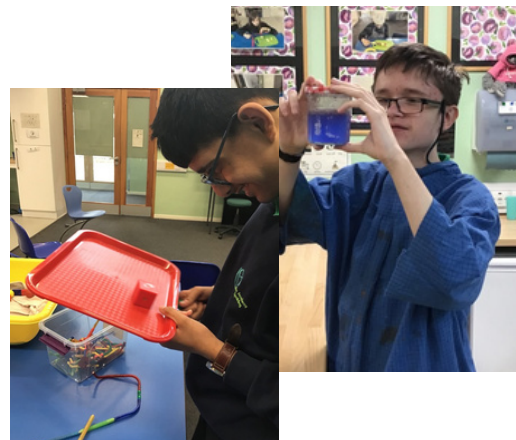
# CLASS NEWS

## PLUMS CLASS NEWS

Plums class have had a very busy start to the half term leading up to Christmas and it's about to get busier!

Before the season really gets going let's share with you some of the learning and fun that we've been enjoying.

There's been lots of exploration and experimenting in both Humanities and STEM, including; how to make a rain cloud, investigating magnets, changing materials and the story of Noah's Ark.



Cooking and food preparation has played a big part in supporting learning across the curriculum, for example, baking and "selling" biscuits to explore the idea of exchanging money for items in Maths. These activities also provide fabulous opportunities for our children and young adults to develop life skills and their understanding of health and safety in the kitchen. Did I mention that we also love to quality control our products by having a little nibble here and there?

Plums class have loved being out and about and have greatly benefitted from their outdoor education sessions where they've planted, raked, created a bug hotel and made bird feeders while enjoying the fresh air and freedom of being outdoors.



Christmas has come a little early as some of our pupils recently visited the local church to decorate a tree for their festival, always a very special time for us all.

So, as we prepare and look forward to all of the festivities and exciting events, may we wish you peace and joy. It really is too early to say Happy Christmas, isn't it?

With our very best wishes

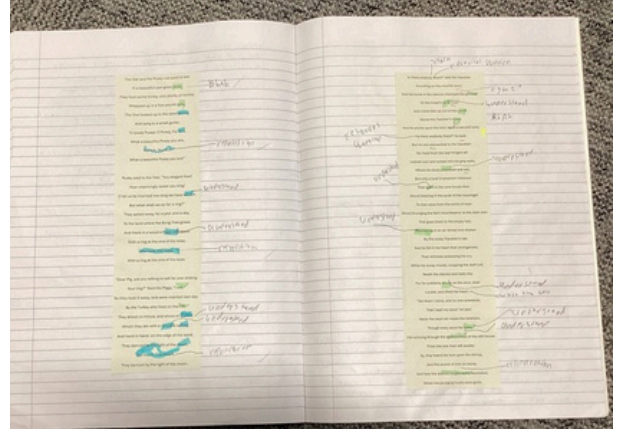
Plums class team ( Elaine, Katie and Holly )



# ELDER CLASS NEWS

This term, Elder class have done lots of amazing work!

In English, we have focused on poetry. We have looked at different poetry styles and techniques. These involve, nonsense poems, fantasy poems and monologues poems. We have done a lot of annotating, identifying key features, such as alliteration, rhyming scheme and imagery. We have also had a go at writing these different styles, with some being more fun than others!



Maths has been handling data, and angles in shapes. We have looked at interpreting data, representing data and recording data. In shape, we have looked the different types of angles, and their properties. Overall, Elder have worked very hard in Maths and English.

In other lessons, we have been playing different games in PE. From practising our bowling in cricket, to working as a team in Boccia. Pupils have displayed excellent teamwork skills. We have also taken part in a knife crime workshop and learned a lot about the UK's rules around knife crime. During intervention we have been developing our communication and teamwork skills by building Lego sits. Each week we take on a different role within our groups to work together on the build.



A lorry simulator came to visit, and we all had a go at driving. There were some questionable driving skills!

In options, we have all been doing different activities. From making Christmas cakes to teaching younger pupils badminton lessons!