

Wow, Wow, Wow, what an amazing year we have had in Reception! We have truly been busy bees and little Calton STARS!

Again we have had a fun filled fortnight becoming Literacy detectives, where the children have had to unscramble sentences and facts linked with our amazing trip to Bristol Aquarium. The children were able to use and apply this information to write superb sentences about their trip. We also challenged the children by reading sentences which included a specific phonic sound. It was great seeing the children helping each other to decode the sentences.

Some examples of the children's superb sentences:

"I saw a turtle; he was swimming slowly in the tank." Josiah

"I saw a jelly fish; it can sting using its tentacles." Zack

"I saw a ray, it glides through the water." Elliot

"I saw a stingray eating sea food." Tyler

"I like seahorses because they are cute and I like Dory's (Angel Fish)." Henri

"I saw a seahorse; it has a curly tail." Adele



The children have also been practising their Maths Passport targets over the past two weeks and it is fantastic to see so many children achieving targets and even moving onto the next passport! Great work Reception – Keep it up!



Reception enjoyed being Year One for the day, meeting their new Teacher and Teaching Assistants, whom they will be working with in September and exploring the Year One Classes! They gave ideas about their new theme linked to the Julia Donaldson stories.

They have also been fantastic buddies during our Stay and Play sessions for our new Reception children, showing them around the outdoor area and exploring the sand and water trays. They have also helped the children to make new friends and feel happy at our school.

The children had a treat on Friday afternoon as they were able to watch Calton's Got Talent. There were children represented from Year 1 to Year 6, either singing, dancing and playing the piano. It was great to see our children's faces as they supported the older children. Hopefully it will give them an idea to see if they wish to audition for next year!

Despite the weather being warm our children enjoyed a boogie at our school disco especially dancing and singing along to some of their favourite songs.

In science week we have been making the most of the sunshine through exploring our shadows and how they are formed. We have also measured our shadows using a metre rule. We also created a human sundial to help us tell the time. We had some fantastic conversations about shadows, why they happen and how shadows can be used to tell the time. The children noticed that our shadows change size at different times throughout the day.



We are all looking forward to our final week in Reception as there are lots of exciting activities planned such as watching the Year 2 end of year show, our celebration picnic and our multi-skills event.

Remember to keep reading over the summer by entering the Summer Reading Challenge at your local library!

Have a fantastic summer holiday and we look forward to seeing you all grown up as Year 1's!