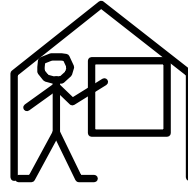


May 13<sup>th</sup> 2011



Dear Parents and Carers

Our sensory gardens are looking fantastic due to the lovely sunny weather we have been having, also thanks to the hard work and dedication of Christine.

#### **Milton Keynes Community Zone**



Last Thursday we were fortunate to be able to make use of the Milton Keynes Community Zone stand where information about the school was on display, together with pupils work, leaflets about the school and our fundraising events. Lorraine and Emma gallantly 'manned' the stand. There was a lot of interest from the public about the school and the work that we do.

#### **Songs of Praise**

As you are aware also last Thursday a small group of pupils from Key Stage 4 and Post 16 went to Christ the Cornerstone Church to participate in the filming of the BBC's Songs of Praise. This was an occasion filled with 'awe and wonder' and the pupils were very well behaved. This will be on television on May 22<sup>nd</sup>.



#### **Textiles Day**

Our textiles day last week run by Kay and Sue was once again a fantastic experience for the pupils. They were involved in making a variety of different items, designing rabbits to sew onto cushion covers as well as making flowers. As always using the sewing machine was a favourite activity for everyone. Thank you to Kay and Sue for all their hard work in arranging this.



### MFL Week

This week, we have been experiencing the language and culture of France. We started the week by getting together in Departments and practising, in French, familiar songs and rhymes. We also used different ways of joining in with some chants in French, using musical instruments, Big Macks and our voices to accompany The Bear Hunt and The Three Little Pigs.

We had visits from pupils at St Paul's School and also The Radcliffe School which we enjoyed very much. They showed us how to say the words for animals, colours and clothes in French and we taught them the songs we had learnt and a little of the chants. We particularly liked it when they came and talked to us and joined in with the actions of the songs with us, too.



In class, we have smelled, explored and tasted different foods. We have also got together as Departments to celebrate French Week with French music and food.



Our Art focus for this week has been the paintings of Seurat and some of us have tried to create our own version of a pointilliste painting using our fingers or the tips of paintbrushes to make lots of dots of paint on paper.

Other photographs from our MFL week -



### **IEP Assessment Week**

The week beginning May 23<sup>rd</sup> is our IEP assessment week. Your son / daughters class teacher will be contacting you to arrange a meeting to review and update your son / daughters IEP.

### **Issues with School Transport**

If you have any issues at all regarding school transport then please log onto [www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/complaints](http://www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/complaints) where your concerns will be attended to. Just a reminder that the school is not at all responsible for transport.



Have a restful and relaxing weekend everyone

Ruth

