

...And just like that, the school year is nearly at its end...

And what a year it has been! Dosbarth Puffins and Pufflings have had an amazing time, starting way back in September with our topic 'Wonderful Weather!', where we learned about different types of weather through lots of experiments, making observations and experiencing the weather outdoors. We also enjoyed our topic 'On Our Doorstep' where we found out about where we live and the locality of the school, going for a walk to the library and around Neyland and finishing the term with a fantastic hat parade inspired by Brunel!

As more friends joined us, our learning journey continued to 'Tickets Please' where we explored vehicles, comparing old and new trains, fixing cardboard cars and even making our own passports so we could travel by aeroplane! We also enjoyed learning about 'People Who Help Us', when we talked to Jessica the librarian about her job and visited the kitchen to find out how the cooks prepare our lunches and learn about the equipment they use.

Finally, in our last term our topic was 'Castles' and the Puffins were so excited to kick start the topic with a visit to Carew Castle. We have delved into the past to find out what life was like in a castle, designed and made our own shields and swords and used blocks (big and small) to build our very own castles. We have also shared many traditional tales and the Puffins loved learning and acting out the Welsh legend of 'Arthurs Cave'. You were amazing! The Pufflings were also fascinated to watch and care for caterpillars as they changed into butterflies - a magical experience!

We look forward to spending another year with our Pufflings as they grow into Puffins and whilst it will be sad to see our not-so-little Puffins fly the nest, there are many more learning adventures ahead for them. We know they will continue to do their very best in Year 1 and will always try to be 'Ready, Safe and Respectful' in all they do.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you as parents and carers for all the support, chats, laughs and kind words over the year - it truly has been a joint effort and, as the children like to remind each other, 'teamwork makes the dream work!'

We wish you the happiest of summer holidays and best wishes for the year ahead!

Mrs Mathias, Miss James, Miss Herbert, Mrs Bellerby and Miss Goodridge

