

Sherborne St John Church of England Primary School

Although the weather became noticeably colder, there was a definite spring in our step as we approached the end of last term! This was literally true for Class 4, who performed their dance routines to 'Lean on Me' and 'Giants' to the school and parents as the culmination of their dance lessons with coach Faye.

We all had experience of interpretive dance with Blair from West End at the start of Book Week; he ran workshops for all the classes resulting in performances of '*Where the Wild Things Are*', '*The Iron Man*' and '*Gangsta Granny*' through dance and music. We also had a visit from author and illustrator Sophie Ambrose, who inspired the children to write their own storybook, and the staff shared some of their favourite stories with the children. At the end of the week, we all dressed up as a book character, resulting in a plethora of Potters (Harry), a wonderment of *Where's Wallies* and a great selection of fairy stories, as well as the staff dressed as crayons (from *The Day the Crayons Quit*).

There was a second opportunity to dress up as the Infants celebrated a medieval day, with knights, jesters, musicians, servants and even a queen or two around to enjoy the fun. They enjoyed a medieval banquet and took part in a medieval dance. This was a great finale to the project on Castles.

At the end of term we had our Easter service at St Andrew's Church, saying farewell to the Rector who has been a school governor for over 30 years and has regularly visited the school for Collective Worship. We send him our best wishes for his retirement.

The term ended with the Easter bonnet parade. As usual, there was hot competition for the prizes, which included the most Eggciting hat, the most Springlike hat and the most Chocolatey hat! Luckily the sun came out for us and we were able to parade around the playground, enabling the parents to have a great view of the amazing array of Easter bonnets on display!

By the time this is printed, we will be back at school for the Summer Term and our first big event, which is the May Festival on 10th May, when, weather permitting, we will be celebrating with maypole and country dancing and a barbeque.

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