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Headteacher's news:

It has been another musical week in school following the special KS1 performance that took place last Friday.

On Monday, KS1 and KS2 children enjoyed singing assemblies led by Mr Jennings from Art Forms. The children are now accessing 30 minutes of singing every week and are enjoying the sessions.

On Wednesday, the children from Y2-Y6 attended a Music for Schools assembly where they listened to a range of brass and woodwind instruments playing a range of familiar tunes. 'Music Man' Tony Preece certainly kept the children entertained. The purpose of this assembly was to promote instrument playing amongst the children and letters from this charitable company should have come home with the children this week. Opportunities to play a musical instrument can be limited in primary schools and we hope that our new partnership with [Music for Schools Foundation](#) provides this offer for our pupils. If you missed this letter and would like further information, please visit the website (link above) or contact the office.

On Thursday morning, LKS2 (Y3-4) took part in a workshop led by The Academy of Northern Ballet. The children worked alongside Lisa to learn a variety of different ballet moves and were able to put together a brilliant sequence involving 'arabesque', 'port de bras' and 'tendu' accompanied by an extremely talented pianist. This free workshop, funded by the Department for Education, is being delivered to schools across the city with the intent to provide the opportunity for all children to experience ballet. Northern Ballet staff also aim to talent spot students who have natural potential and enthusiasm for ballet - I wonder if any of our children impressed?

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Click below to see what has been happening in your child's class this week

[Nursery](#) [Reception](#)

[Y1 Pear](#)

[Y1/2 Lime](#)

[Y2 Cherry](#)

[Y3 Willow](#)

[Y3/4 Cedar](#)

[Y4 Beech](#)

[Y5 Oak](#)

[Y5/6 Ash](#)

[Y6 Maple](#)

This week in assembly we celebrated National Winnie the Pooh Day (18 January). A.A. Milnes - creator of the honey-loving bear - was born on 18 January 1882 (140 years ago) and first wrote about the character when he was 44 years of old. A cuddly version of the bear - now 96 years of age, made an appearance in assembly and the children learned about the importance of friendship - a theme that features in many of his tales.



Y2-6 Music for Schools Foundation



The Academy of Northern Ballet



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tues 8 Feb 3:40-7:00pm &

Wed 9 Feb 3:40-6:00pm: Parents' Evening

Mon 14 March 2022: Teacher Training Day - school will be closed to the children