

Dear families,



Today, we celebrate Red Nose Day . It is wonderful to see so many children and staff wearing red along the school.

### Leeds Class News

This week in Leeds class we have had a lot of fun acting out our story, Anansi and the Melon.



There was lots of laughs and smiles.



### Darwin Class News

A big highlight of Darwin's week is on a Tuesday afternoon.

Some of you may know what this is?

The Darwin Cafe!

We have enjoyed having a go at being different characters and helping each other with the lines.



This is a student lead venture that is a relaxed atmosphere with tea/coffee/hot chocolate. Toast and biscuits is also provided . Sometimes we even have cake! The room is rearranged to accommodate those that want to socialise and play card games. A space is created for some that dance to music that is chosen by pupils and staff.



This is a great opportunity for pupils to work on their social skills and to interact with fellow pupils and staff in a social setting. Darwin invite 1 or 2 pupil guests per week and this has proved to be very popular.



However, this half term we have a different theme. Darwin are inviting different staff teams

and varying staff to have a cup of tea and a catch up.

This week we had the Reception team represented by Mila.

Future invites will include the Site Team, Teaching and Learning leaders, SLT and other teaching staff.

You have been warned!

## Science Week Wow!

It is National Science Week this week, and Castle School pupils have been busy practising their investigation skills!



All across the school we have been observing giant foaming explosions, with mentos and coke.

Dover, Corfe and Balmoral made 'Density jars': making predictions and testing out their ideas, they worked as teams to make incredible layers of floating objects!



Ludlow went on a trip to the Cambridge Science Centre and had so much fun trying out all of the different experiments and challenges. They also had help from the Science Communicators to extract DNA from strawberries!



Best wishes

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