



Pelican News



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A big focus in English lessons for Year 1 this year has been exploring the language feature of similes and as we arrive at the end of another academic year and look back over the past 9 months, I have a few to add to the collection to describe them:

As fantastic as the Pre-Prep summer show.

As industrious as Pre-Prep children.

As happy as a Pre-Prep playtime.

As joyous as a Pre-Prep song assembly.

I'm hoping they give the sense of what a successful year it has been! The culmination of that success was evident in yesterday's wonderful performance of 'Pirates versus Mermaids' where every single child rose to the occasion and proved just what very young children are capable of when given the magic mix of opportunity, aspiration and expectation. While we facilitated a theatre, a script, some songs and some costumes, it was really the children who took ownership of the show by offering stage direction and choreography ideas and worked brilliantly as a team to allow each other their moment to shine. Year 2 children deserve a special mention for their strong leadership of the show which brought their Pre-Prep journey to a celebratory conclusion. They have been super role-models for Pre-Prep this year and we have no doubt they will continue to be a fantastic team as they move down to the Rose Garden in September where even more exciting opportunities and adventures are waiting for them to enjoy. We very much enjoyed sharing their Pre-Prep journey with their parents in our final assembly on Wednesday afternoon with a collection of over 100 photos which documented how they have grown and developed since their starting points which for one child was 6 years ago and for another child just the start of this term. The common theme through every photo was smiling, happy children which is exactly how we will remember them!

The other main ingredients for such a successful and happy year are a fantastic staff team who continue to inspire the children every day to achieve and be their best combined with support from parents who work in partnership with the staff towards the shared goal of wanting every child to be happy and achieve their potential. Fortunately, we have had the finest of these ingredients in the staff and parent body this year to whom I extend my gratitude and appreciation.

Sadly, we say 'goodbye' to a few families who are off to start new adventures beyond King's Hall. We wish all of them every success and thank them for all they have contributed to the Pre-Prep family during their time with us. We very much hope our paths may cross again in the future!

Achievements

Congratulations to the following children who have 'Reached for the Stars' and achieved:

Diamond Award: Albert, Ella, Cooper, Flora, Leila, Luther, Ophelia, Rafaella, Thanos

Wishing you all a wonderful summer!

Claire Luckhurst

Pirates versus Mermaids

















































































