



# Leopard Class Newsletter



We have worked hard this week to finish writing our innovated versions of 'The Owl and the Pussycat'. The children have been thinking about lots of adjectives they could include in their writing as well as using alternative words for 'said'. Their stories are all amazing and we are very proud of what they have produced!

We have also been learning how to tell the time, focusing on half past the hour. The children explored analogue clocks and learned that half past means 30 minutes after the hour. They practised reading times such as half past one, half past three and half past six, and noticed that when it is half past, the minute hand points to the 6 and the hour hand is halfway between two numbers.

In our topic lessons we have been researching the life of Queen Victoria. We were fascinated to find out that she and Prince Albert started the tradition of Christmas trees being put up in people's houses, and that she wore black for the rest of her life after her husband died because she was so sad.

**Don't forget our Victorian School Day and open afternoon on 24<sup>th</sup> March!**

**Parents are welcome to join us in class at 2:30pm**

In Science this week, we have been learning about amphibians as part of our topic on animals and vertebrates. The children revisited the five animal groups – mammals, birds, reptiles, fish and amphibians – and focused on discovering what makes an amphibian an amphibian. We explored examples such as frogs, toads and newts and learned that amphibians lay eggs, live both in water and on land, and change as they grow. The children looked closely at pictures of different amphibians and compared their features, noticing what was the same and what was different.

## **PE and Forest Schools**

Please note that our PE days are now Monday (outdoor) and Thursday (indoor).

## **Stars of the Week**

Well done to Adam, Bradley, Connie and Hanna for receiving a certificate this week!

Have a lovely weekend!

Miss Dallow and Mrs Wright 😊