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Highlight of the week

Our Mandarin teachers have started their classes this week – it is so inspiring to see the children enjoy learning something so enriching!



Forthcoming Events

Welcome back to Portway!

We hope that you have enjoyed some extra time with your children – they certainly seem to have come back to school full of energy and excited to learn!

Arty Party - Part 2

The Arty Party team have kicked off our Half Term with their creative zest and inspiration.



This week, children from Year 3 and Year 4 created models that will star in our new British Values display – watch this space!

This term is seven weeks long and the last day of classes is **Wednesday 20th December.**

Congratulations to Whitechapel class with 98.8% attendance.

A very well done to Moorgate class with 98.5% and Mile End class with 98.1%





Ms Tomam's Adventure

For Years, Ms Tomam has been planning a trip of a lifetime to Mount Everest. It is with a mountain of pride that we can announce that she has returned after climbing part of this iconic peak.



'On this twelve day trek we witnessed some of the most breath-taking scenery, visited some of the highest villages in the world, and admired sunrise over the Himalayan snow-capped peaks and Khumbu Glacier. From the peak of Kala Patthar (5518m), we gazed up at the mighty Everest summit.'

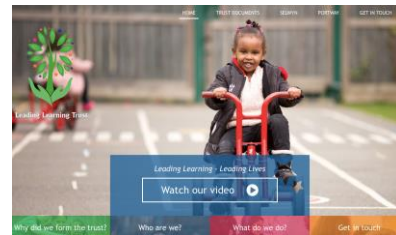


'We trekked between 5-7 hours most days, sometimes in darkness - before/after sunrise/sunset. Most days were between 8-20km on the 'Nepalese flat' which means up, up, down, down! I survived altitude sickness, generally, although summiting Kala Patthar was hard! It was usually very sunny, I even got a tan, but when the sun went down the temp fell to -15 degrees c!'

Well done Ms Tomam – we're happy to see you return safe and sound!

Leading Learning Trust

This week, we have launched a new video to give people a flavour of life at school.



Head to the LLT website to take a look!

www.leadinglearningtrust.org

Year 3 – Bread Winners

On Wednesday, Year 3 had an amazing day baking bread!



Saed recapped, "To make the bread we broke the ears of the wheat off the stalks, ground the seeds into whole wheat flour and had to knead the dough. We then designed our bread rolls into all kinds of shapes and patterns of our choice!"

Aysher reflected that she, "enjoyed separating the wheat outside in front of the fan with the professional bakers." Feeling inspired, Debbie said, "One day, when I grow up, I'm going to be a bread maker."

