



Bedfield CE Primary School

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Gold Award in Schools Show Garden Competition



We are so very proud that our small school received Gold, second prize in the Schools Show Garden Competition for our Olympic Themed Garden shown at The Suffolk Show in Trinity Park during half-term. Congratulations to Mrs Whayman and all the children in our Gardening Club – Lily, Bella, Iris, India, Sebby, Jensen, Elsie & Lucy who created our garden, resplendent with a central Eiffel Tower made from bamboo and a beautiful arrangement of flowers and plants donated with our box. Contributions to the box included jumps for horses, a running circuit and swing. Vivid imaginations and the green fingers of staff and children all contributed to a mini garden which reflected the theme perfectly.



An Award for Cleo, our School Puppy

Another winner, a new member of our school community was Cleo, a miniature dachshund. Accompanied by her owner, Mrs Holland, and some of her fans – Lily and Iris. Cleo won the 'Best Tricks' award for her ability to run around in circles with great enthusiasm! To top it all, the award was presented by Peter Purvis, who some may remember as a presenter on Blue Peter, many years ago.

Making and studying History at Bedfield

Ash Class (Year 3&4)

Another celebration at Bedfield related to the 76th anniversary of The Windrush generation's arrival in the UK in 1948. Ash Class had been studying the contributions made by the many who came to Britain on The Windrush and their descendants, including Floella Benjamin, a current member of the House of Lords, presenter of children's television in the past (many older members of the school community remember her in that capacity!), author of children's literature and leader of many charitable causes.

Children in Ash Class produced fantastic work about the history of The Windrush, a former cruise ship, and many members of the Windrush generation. One child wrote a diary as a child leaving the Caribbean and then living as an adult living in the UK, creating alongside her diary a box of mementos. For Ash Class's commemorative party, the children and their families made many cakes using ingredients from the Caribbean – ginger, cocoa and pineapples as well as drinking fruit juices made from mangoes and coconut. Our school governors were happy to help us finish up the variety of cakes after their meeting at the school that day.



