



## Headteachers Comments:

It has been super to welcome so many pupils back this week and to see them learning in school. We have seen so much lovely communication between friends and obvious enjoyment of being back together for face to face learning and socialising. Some mindfulness activities at HAJC have been very popular and it was good to hear that they have been telling Katie Noon all about their aspirations for their next steps.



We congratulate Henry at Cleveland House for passing his Functional Skills Level 1 Maths and English. We also congratulate Hugh at Cleveland House for being named as his English teachers 'lockdown star' for all of his hard work since Christmas – both great achievements.

I am looking forward to seeing all their progress over the next few weeks and would just like to take this opportunity to thank those of you whose child has been at home for all your support and help to enable them to access their learning.

*Janet*

### Happy Friday!

We would like to end the week on such an amazing, positive story that has been sent to us by one of our Parents!

Steve has always wanted to watch Football Games with his son Alfie at [Notts County Football Club](#) and due to their sensory rooms, it has become a reality! This is such a powerful statement from a big name in the world of football showing that everyday events and milestones such as these, should be inclusive for everyone!

Please have a read <https://www.nottscountyfc.co.uk/.../weeks-of-action-040321/>



Thank you to Lois for sharing this with us!

Have a great weekend everyone and take care



National Guidance	Dorothy Goodman School & Cleveland House response
<p>All pupils to return to school on Monday 8 March</p> <p>apart from those with individual shielding letters</p>	<p>We are looking forward to welcoming nearly everyone back into school</p> <p>Daily attendance will be expected as usual</p>
	<p>If you have received a shielding letter please contact school to discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Kate Wood or Julie Rawlings for secondary Barwell Lane</li> <li>· Luke Pegley or Katie Noon for Primary and Richmond and Redmoor</li> <li>· Kelly Dryden for Middlefield Lane</li> <li>· Louise Leeson for Cleveland House &amp; HAJC base</li> </ul>
<p>Secondary aged pupils to wear masks</p>	<p>Yes we encourage secondary aged pupils to wear face masks if they can taking into account their needs</p>
	<p>Please send in more than one mask so that this can be changed at suitable times during the day e.g. after eating.</p>
<p>3 lateral flow tests for secondary aged students as they return to school</p>	<p>We will be undertaking lateral flow tests where we have consent</p> <p>Please complete this form if you consent to your child being tested. We will also send it out separately as a reminder for you to complete it.</p>
<p>After the first 3 tests families to continue to test secondary aged pupils at home twice each week</p>	<p>We will receive home testing kits which can be used by families. If you think this will be difficult we are happy to help - please contact us and we will discuss what will be best including possible continued testing at school.</p>
<p>Lateral Flow tests for staff likely to continue</p>	<p>Lateral flow tests will be available for staff</p>
<p>Please remember not to send your child into school if they show any of the following symptoms</p>	<p>a high temperature - this means the person feels hot to touch on their chest or back</p> <p>a new, continuous cough - this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if they usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)</p> <p>a loss or change to sense of smell or taste - this means the person cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal</p>



# CALENDAR



DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
Thursday 18th March 2021	Parents Evening	* Virtual - details below
Monday 29th March - Friday 9th April 2021	Easter Break	School Closed to students
Monday 12th April 2021	Back to school	School reopens to students



# USEFUL RESOURCES



Wellbeing Resources:



[Downs Syndrome Association - Wellbeing](#)



Online Safety:

<a href="http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk">www.thinkuknow.co.uk</a>	<a href="http://www.internetmatters.org">www.internetmatters.org</a>
<a href="https://parentinfo.org/">https://parentinfo.org/</a>	<a href="http://www.lgfl.net">www.lgfl.net</a>
<a href="http://www.net-aware.org.uk">www.net-aware.org.uk</a>	<a href="http://www.ltai.info/staying-safe-online">www.ltai.info/staying-safe-online</a>
<a href="http://www.saferinternet.org.uk">www.saferinternet.org.uk</a>	<a href="#">To report a child protection concern</a>
<a href="https://safetonet.com/en-gb/landing-pages/covid/">https://safetonet.com/en-gb/landing-pages/covid/</a>	



# LUNCHES



w/c 15th March 2021

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Week 1 Menu

Our up to date lunch menus for Primary and Secondary can be found by clicking this link:

[Lunch Menus](#)

School Meal Primary meals: £2.20 per day

School Meal Senior meals: £2.45 per day

Please keep the office updated with any dietary requirements for your child. School Meals can be paid for via Arbor.

Information regarding eligibility for Free School Meals is available through County Hall:

[LCC - Free School Meals](#) or contact School Food Support Service. Tel: 0116 305 5770.

# NOTICES



Find information for children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities all in one place - this is known as Leicestershire's 'Local Offer'.

<https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/education-and-children/special-educational-needs-and-disability>

## Equipment Repairs

Please ensure that you inform the office of any appointments you make for equipment repairs during school hours, that will take place on site.



If they are not booked in on our system, they can be turned away.



Brain Tumour Research

# WEAR A HAT DAY

Friday 26th March



We are taking part in 'wear a hat day' this year. We are encouraging students and staff to take part, either with a hat from home or a creatively made hat, if you would like to take part we are asking for a £1 donation which will go to Brain Tumour Research.



## What's in it for me and my child's school?

Both you and your child's school will receive eGift Cards to spend in participating retailers based on a percentage of your overall spend.

## How does it work?

My School Fund links your spend to your chosen school, meaning every time you make a purchase at participating retailers you both benefit through an innovative cashback scheme.

In association with



Step 1

Visit [myschoolfund.org](https://myschoolfund.org) to register for free



Step 2

Link to your child's school



Step 3

Spend at participating retailers



Step 4

Start receiving your eGift Cards!

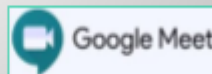
## Virtual Parents Evening

Thursday 18th March 2021 15:00 - 19:00

**BOOKING HAS NOW CLOSED!**

If you have booked an appointment you will shortly receive a Google Meets invitation from your child's class teacher or the relevant person you have an appointment with.

There are still a limited number of appointments available, if you have not yet booked and would like to arrange an appointment, please contact the office who can see if this is possible.



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# Choir

Online sessions take place via Zoom  
Join us every Tues  
7:30 - 8:30pm  
**FUN & FREE TO JOIN**

Zoom Meeting ID: 889 4731 2894  
Zoom Passcode: VIVA123





# THIS WEEK IN PICTURES



# HIGHLIGHTS OF THE WEEK

## **KS1**

Lemurs: making sandwiches using an ingredient the children had grown themselves.

Leopards: Hearing some wonderful counting by both Phoebe and Yuvraj!

Lions: Enjoying our new Jack and the beanstalk sensory story

Llamas: Welcoming all pupils back into Llamas class

Tigers: Oliver greeting Bentley on his return to school and telling him he missed him.

Jupiter: Fantastic teamwork and sharing when creating their parachutes. All the pupils tried really hard, complimenting each other's creations and good problem-solving skills. - Well done

Mars: Sebastian trying his hardest on our army workout - attempting sit-ups and push-ups!

Mercury: The children have all settled back into their school routine and it is lovely to see them all interacting with each other.

Saturn/ Neptune: Children working on different teams as either Germany or London and creating their towns out of boxes. They then used 'bombs' (filled balloons) to try and attack each other's towns. Lilia spoke about being really upset about her house being destroyed. It was explained to her that is how people probably felt when their homes were destroyed.

**KS2**

Venus: This week the children loved playing 'The Masked Singer' in their choice time.

Apollo: There has been so many, just in the last three days but one that shines is Tobyn completing a mock Maths paper and getting 28/30 on his first go!

Athena: Dressing up in PSHE for our unusual jobs topic

Kites: Seeing all students in Kites back together again!

Owls: everyone being back in class!

Poseidon: Everyone returning to school.

## **KS3**

Atlas: Welcoming members of Atlas back to school

Cleveland House: Well done to Hugh for being his English teacher's 'lockdown star' for all of his hard work this term.

Hercules: Seeing everyone back in school!

Iris/Zeus: Making model wind turbines.

Janus: Cooking spaghetti bolognese in PSHE

**KS4**

## **KS5**

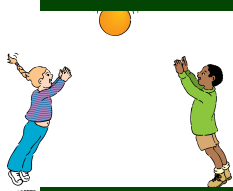
Demeter: Everybody dancing and enjoying the Winter Carnival with Soft Touch Arts.

Hera: Jack and Sharney interacting together without adult guidance. Sharney took the lead and explained what he was doing. It was lovely to see two pupils who have been isolating obviously enjoying being back with their friends.

Nike: Rosie has been a star this week! She absolutely loved our spa session during wellbeing and making cakes in cooking. She has been engaged and has completed all her work!

6th Form: Borough Bulletin' This work experience was hard and we didn't get it right. The students worked hard to correct the errors made and delivered it 5 minutes before the deadline after 2 and a half days work.





# EYFS / KS 1



**Lemurs:** We welcomed Trofim back to school this week. We have started a new story "Jack and the Beanstalk". Which the children have really enjoyed. We have been into the sensory room and explored props from the story. We also had a really good PE lesson. The children really enjoyed doing some music and movement songs with Aurora, Mia and Oliver BC doing some amazing dance moves. Also Henry did some really good coordination work hitting a ball with a bat. Last week we planted some cress seeds, which we used for cooking Wednesday to make egg and cress sandwiches.

Trofim

**Leopards:** This week in Leopards we have started the story of 'Jack and the beanstalk' seeing the children keen to paint their own cows and plant some beans ready to watch how they grow over the next few weeks. We have also been busy with some mothers day crafts which we hope you will all enjoy!

Phoebe

**Lions:** We have welcomed new student, Joshua, to our 'Lion Pride' this week as well as Alex, who returned this week. All of the pupils were very welcoming to Joshua. We have changed our focus to a different traditional tale this week 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. Class enjoyed playing their instruments when signifying walking their cow to the market. They tried very hard to keep the 'stomp, stomp, stomp' beat. They also joined in with throwing their 'beans' out of the window before stretching up to show the beanstalk growing. This week we planted sunflowers in topic, we hope they grow as tall as us! We hope you have a happy Mother's Day weekend.

Matty,  
Joshua  
& Alex

**Llamas:** We have started our new sensory story 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. Everyone engaged in the sensory aspects of the story and particularly enjoyed pressing the switch to hear the Giants voice! In Topic we listened to the story 'Jaspers Beanstalk' and explored the conditions plants need to grow. Some children then planted their own beans whilst others explored the soil and used the utensils to fill and empty different sized plant pots. In Maths we have focussed on one to one correspondence and and in P.E worked together during music and movement.

Emilia

**Tigers:** We have started our new Fairy Tale 'Cinderella. The children have been busy cleaning and preparing our role play castle for the Prince Charming's Ball. The children have been writing invitations for the ball and started to practice their dancing for when we have a role play ball in class. They are very excited and would like to dress up for our ball which will take place in Tiger class next Thursday.

Bentley  
&  
James



## KS 2



**Jupiter:** The children have further explored light and dark. We have had a lot of fun playing mirror games and the children worked hard on their communication when exploring light sources and switch operated lights. In cookery there has been lovely exploration in sensory cookery and the children have done well following instructions to create their own bubble and squeak. In ICT there was some fantastic independent work researching WW2 and developing keyboard and mouse skills. In PSHE the children had fun exploring the Military and what they wear and what activities they do- they especially enjoyed the assault course.

Elliot

**Mars:** In PE we had an army workout and obstacle course. The children were fantastic at following instructions and using visuals to complete tasks as independently as they could. In English we made peg doll soldiers and worked on sentence formation when describing pictures. In Maths our focus was division, sharing rations between people as well as counters between plates. In PSHE we enjoyed trying to put on bandages and plasters for ourselves and talked about what we would do in an emergency.



Values Champion of the week: Sebastian

George

**Mercury:** We have been exploring 'The Blitz' sensory story in Topic and making our own air raid shelter. The children have really persisted with different gymnastic movements in PE. They all worked together in sherborne focusing on directions which was lovely to see many positive interactions. Mercury are excited to explore light and dark and reflections in Science today.



Values Champion of the week: Walter

Alfie  
&  
Keian

**Saturn & Neptune:** In Neptune the students have been working on number formations and addition. In English they have been learning about Douglas Bader and writing about what it might have been like in an Anderson Shelter. In Saturn Maths they have been working on number bonds and learning about 'fact families'. In English they have enjoyed listening to an RAF song. They created their own 'junk model' aeroplanes, designed soldier costumes, with some very interesting ideas and worked in teams to create a dance routine. Both classes have been learning about reflection in science, involving experiments with mirrors and using a torch in a black box with a mirror in a dark room.

Omella  
&  
Alfie

**Venus:** The children have focused on independent communication skills in English. They have been taking part in games such as 'The sun shines on...' and 'Keeper of the Keys'. In Maths some pupils have continued to develop their knowledge of addition, subtraction division and multiplication sums. In Art we used salt dough to create busts of Winston Churchill. In Science we conducted experiments using mirrors to see how light reflects. Well done Venus!

Austin  
&  
Jamie





# KS 3



**Apollo:** Wow, we have only been back three days and there are so many lovely moments to mention. It was great to see nearly everyone back in class. We welcomed Amy and Cassie-Jayne back who settled back straight into their class routines. In Wednesday's Science lessons, everyone took part in an experiment to explore what Chromatography was. Everyone was engaged and thoroughly enjoyed matching their coloured dots on the filter paper grow. In PE Chloe, Cassie-Jayne, Emma and Tobyn created a piggy in the middle style game by themselves and played this game for over 5 minutes, taking it in turns and communicating with each other on who was next in the middle. Friday afternoon, we had a special video to watch from Sinfonia Viva who have kindly recorded their sessions for us from what we missed over the last two weeks. It was great to see the pupils remember the songs and have a go at beatboxing.

Whole Class

**Athena:** We started of at home with some fab participation from students in our online communication groups - we all had to draw different animals and judge who we thought was best. Then back in school on Wednesday and it was so nice to have most of our friends back in person again. We really enjoyed PSHE and dressing up to explore the different jobs topic, I think it's fair to say most of us enjoyed being a security guard most, especially escorting people who looked up to no good outside! In PE we practised more gymnastic jumping and balancing and in Art we made some very special pieces of fingerprint art.

Lewis R

**Kites:** It was lovely to have a full class back. In English we continued working on the mystery of the Tollund Man. Students looked at parts of the poem and pictures related to it. In groups they looked at these new clues and came up with some more theories about what could have happened to this person. In Maths students continued to work on time. In PSHE we have continued with our topic about unusual jobs. Our theme is space and we considered all the different jobs involved in getting a rocket into space. Students are now going to design a spaceship that can carry an uncooked egg without it getting broken!

Sammy

**Owls:** It has been nice to catch up with everyone and get back into our school routine! In Maths we have looked at time, specifically identifying times on analogue and digital clocks. In English we continued 'The Tollund man' reading the story of how he was discovered and making our own theories as to what happened to him using a set of clues. In Art we created our own advertisements for products, including clear face masks, In creative the class have used junk modelling to create a world war trench which we will continue this half term.

Callum

**Poseidon:** Everyone is back in class which is fabulous. We have all enjoyed working together as a class and enjoying all the wonderful things we do as great friends.

John



# KS 4



**Atlas:** We started our week with PE practising our aiming skills, followed by drama story about King Cnut. In art we created our own self portraits in the style of Giuseppe Arcimboldo. On Tuesday Atlas went off to their own pathways Erin, Kaydone, Alfi, Tegan enjoyed helping care for the Guinea pigs in Animal Care. In Science we looking at what items need electricity to power them. During PE on Wednesday Atlas enjoyed taking part in cricket skills. In Geography we continued to look at the Grand Canyon .

Kaydone

**Cleveland House:** We have enjoyed welcoming more students back into Cleveland House this week and back into face to face lessons in the main school. 6th form students are also accessing their college lessons in person and everyone has quickly got back into the routine of following the school timetable. Some of our students have also been able to take part in Mother's Day activities and 6th formers are back in the kitchen making tomato soup and doing research on games suitable for children with disabilities. Well done to all for a very successful week.

George & Jordan

**Hercules:** Hercules have had a good week and it was great to have everyone back in school. The students who came back this week have settled back into things very well. We all enjoyed working in teams to make pinwheels-part of our renewable energy project in PSHE. Hopefully we will progress to more complicated wind turbines next. In RE, we looked at Sikhism and the '5 Ks'.

Stephen

**Iris & Zeus:** It was just so great to have everyone back in school! Long may it continue! In English we have been learning about different types of poetry: cinquain, limerick and acrostic. The students seemed to really have fun with this style of writing and produced some very creative poems. In history, whilst learning about rationing in WWII, all pupils realised that they would miss their favourite foods and would miss not buying so many clothes. In science the lesson has focussed on harnessing energy from the wind, learning about windmills, wind farms at sea and on land and students even had a go at making their own wind turbine model. It is lovely to see everyone again - remember it is still quite chilly outside so please bring a coat.

Ryan & Lola

**Janus:** We went o a virtual football stadium and talked about what we liked and disliked. We have been doing drama and writing newspapers in English. Played cricket in PE. We were looking at healthy eating in PSHE and cooked spaghetti bolognese. We also looked at the differences between physical and manmade Geography.

Jake



# KS 5



**Demeter:** We ended the week on a high with a visit from Soft Touch Arts, some of the students had an additional opportunity to go to the bungalow to take part in some 'independent living skills' activities.  
It's great to have everybody back as a whole class.

Heather

**Hero:** In English the group have been exploring the story of Romeo and Juliet a little more. They are beginning to remember parts of the story, including character names and what might happen next. They had a go at ordering the story and talking about what is happening in the pictures. The DofE group have been working on their fitness plans in the gym again this week and Callum has particularly enjoyed using the new hand bike.

Jack

**Nike:** Students worked on Romeo and Juliet in English and calendar skills/graphing during Maths. Students in our class also looked at identifying and counting coins. In Art, we looked at different talent shows and gave them our rating. Some students went down to the bungalow and worked on daily living skills. In PSHE, students learned about different career/job options and got to work with hands on materials (paint rollers, carpet, tools, etc).

Rosie

**6th Form:** The students have worked really hard in Textiles making their aprons and the DIY group have been making some great table numbers for the 6th form cafe. The gardening group have been working hard to make the outside areas look amazing.

Cole is our achiever this week for trying hard in all of his lessons.

Cole