

Friday 23rd April 2021

Headteachers Comments:

Once again we have all been enjoying the sunshine with lots of learning outdoors. (Please make sure you send in a hat and sun cream for your child). The secondary pupils at



Barwell Lane are thoroughly enjoying the large field space which is now open for them to use (it is helping to keep us all fit as well!).

We have had some super annual reviews over the last few weeks where the pupils have shared their own views very well. Nathan is a good example. He was very positive about school and how he wants a challenge and it was great to see how he shared his ideas with the people at the meeting. He is working on being more assertive and airing his views so this was a great start. During the review meetings we have also been able to look at aspirations for what next year and beyond may hold. It is always good to hear about how our children and young people are generalising skills they have learnt to other situations including home or vice versa from home to school. At secondary this week we said goodbye to Lotta as a class tutor and we welcome Lisa back from maternity leave on Monday. Lisa has been spending a few days with us prior to this to meet her new class.

We have also started to plan some fun outdoor events for transition and the end of term – more information will follow over the next few weeks.

Have a good weekend.

Janet

If you would like us to apply sun-cream to your child, can we please ask that you send a bottle into school, that has your child's name on and ensure that you have given consent for us to do this. You can update your child's consents via the Arbor app.

Could you also ensure your child comes to school with appropriate clothes. As the weather starts to improve we would like to spend more time outside wherever possible.

COVID GUIDANCE

National Guidance	Dorothy Goodman School & Cleveland House response	
All pupils are expected in school from Monday 12th April.	The shielding period has now ended and all students are expected in school. If this is causing you any difficulties please contact the school.	
Secondary aged pupils to wear masks	We encourage secondary aged pupils to wear face masks if they can taking into account their needs Please send in more than one mask so that this can be changed at suitable times during the day e.g. after eating.	
Lateral flow tests for students.	Please make sure your child tests themselves or help them to take the test twice a week on a Monday morning (if possible and, if not Sunday night) and Thursday morning (if possible and, if not Wednesday night). If you think this may be difficult please contact us and we will discuss what will be best - including possible continued testing at school. This does not replace testing for those with symptoms. If you have symptoms you must self-isolate and go for a PCR test.	
Lateral Flow tests for staff	Lateral flow tests will be available for staff	
	a high temperature – this means the person feels hot to touch on their chest or back	
Please remember not to send your child into school if they show any of the following symptoms	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)	
	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	



CALENDAR



DATE	EVENT	INFORMATION
Monday 3rd May 2021	Bank Holiday	School Closed
Monday 31st May - Friday 4th June 2021	Half Term	School Closed to students
Friday 9th July 2021	Last day of school	End of Academic year

Big Cat Collins e-library

During the Easter break we sent out an email to you introducing a new reading scheme that will be used across the whole of Dorothy Goodman. This will enable the students to access a library of e-books, from early phonic development to fluent reading, Part of this programme will enable us to track the students progress, to do this we are seeking your consent as Parent/Guardian to share your child's name and date of birth with Harper Collins, this information will only be used for academic purposes.

You can read Harper Collins Privacy Policy here: https://corporate.harpercollins.co.uk/privacy-policy/
For more information about the reading scheme please visit https://collins.co.uk/pages/collins-big-cat

If you have not completed the consent form, please can we ask that you do so using the link below:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScBkiCdajc7zIfGfA8cGU2UuOxmSYvR-OxIRyZ2DI1siH7Oiw/v iewform?usp=sf_link



LUNCHES



w/c 26th April 2021

Week 3 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



We are a health and social care charity with almost 40 years' experience of working alongside people affected by mental ill health, learning disabilities, autism spectrum conditions, dementia and associated physical and behavioural complexities.

We offer a bespoke respite provision for children with learning disabilities, PMLD and associated physical and behavioural complexities.

The services are consistently rated 'good' by Ofsted and service provision is flexible, delivered by well-trained and caring professionals. The buildings are fully accessible, homely and adaptable.

Please go to our website

https://www.praxiscare.org/locations/glenfield-project/ for more information. Alternatively please call us on 0116 2320021.



IMPORTANT REMINDER

Please can we remind you that if your child decides to bring their mobile phone into school, they are expected to turn them off and either hand them in to reception on arrival or keep them securely in their school bag whilst they are in school.



This is to safeguard all of our students.
Thank you

Please Turn off Your Mobile Phones

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.

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In order to best prepare our children for the future."



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Route to Resilience is an evidence-based and practical approach to supporting schools and families in their work developing character, resilience and emotional wellbeing of children and young people.

Commissioned by NHS Leicester City CCG, NHS West Leicestershire CCG and NHS East Leicestershire & Rutland CCG on behalf of the local Future in Mind partnership whose members include Leicester City Council, Leicestershire County Council and Rutland County Council.



The Virtual Coffee Morning

An opportunity for parents/carers to get together to discuss all SEN issues and signpost each other to useful services.

Meeting dates-Friday 26/3, 16/4, 11/6 and 2/7. Time 11-12 for more information please contact Rachel Irwin irwinrj22@gmail.com or Louise Leeson louise.leeson@cleveland-house.org





THIS WEEK IN PICTURES







HIGHLIGHTS OF THE WEEK



Lemurs: The class working together to make a wormery.

Leopards: Seeing so many wonderful interactions and communication during the positive play session on Monday morning.

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Lions: The pupils enjoying our Key Stage play session on Monday morning.

Llamas: Great engagement in P.E with some pupils leading one of our games.

Tigers: Tiger class pond dipping and successfully catching interesting bugs and tadpoles

Jupiter: This week class have really enjoyed Max returning to class, everyone has been so happy to see him.

Mars: Helena challenging herself to complete the harder fractions work in Maths!

Mercury: The children have initiated some lovely independent interactions with their peers.

Saturn/ Neptune: Our frog spawn is beginning to turn into tadpoles

KS₂

Venus: All pupils really enjoyed art - creating playdough and junk model turtles.

Apollo: A great Science lesson where the pupils designed their own house to see if they could stay standing when placed on a jelly earthquake.

KS3

Athena: Packing our bags for camping in PSHE

Kite: A fabulous Art lesson with everyone really enjoying exploring textures and using their imaginations.

Owl: Nature walk as a class for Earth day in Science

Poseidon: Poseidon have absolutely loved working and playing on the field.

Atlas: Story sharing and attention bucket - the group have been working

<u>Cleveland House:</u> Year 10 students completing a newspaper article in English about dangerous sports and activities.

Hercules: Having a party to say goodbye to Lotta

Iris/Zeus: Great fun finding our own centre of gravity in science!

Janus: Going to the park - peer support with the obstacle course

KS4

KS5

<u>Demeter:</u> Seeing Kinjal walking a distance down the corridor and into the field.

Hera: It has been a week of outdoor learning on the open field in the beautiful sunshine. The pupils are absolutely loving the open space; exploring and running around.

Nike: Being able to do yoga outside on the field.

6th Form: Some of the students attended their first work experience placement of 2021 at Cattow's farm



EYFS / KS 1



Lemurs: We have done some Art, as a class, the children worked as a team and made a giant Caterpillar (photo is above). We have done some minibeast themed Maths and English activities. We have also made the most of the nice weather and spent a lot of time outside doing different play themed activities.

Aurora

<u>Leopards</u>: We have finished the story of 'The very hungry caterpillar' seeing the children participate in lots of butterfly themed activities such as making sun catchers, being wrapped in cocoon blankets and mixing paint to create new colours ready to hand print some wings!



<u>Lions</u>: Class have enjoyed the change in weather conditions this week. We have enjoyed the Spring sunshine during our outside activities. Our focus in Topic this week was looking at new life in the Spring. Many of the pupils braved exploring the tapioca that signified frogspawn. In Music the pupils used different instruments to signify night and day in the story of the 'Hungry Caterpillar'.



<u>Llamas:</u> We have continued with our story 'The Hungry Caterpillar'. We had great fun feeding the caterpillar lots of different foods and watching him grow into a big caterpillar. In art we made some beautiful butterfly prints and in maths began to think about pattern and repeating patterns.



Tigers: We have had a very exciting week, learning about the life cycle of the frog. We started by listening to the story 'Tadpoles Surprise' and looked at the changes from frogspawn, tadpole, froglet to frog. We managed to visit the pond at Richmond school to do some pond dipping and successfully catch lots of minibeasts and some tadpoles. In the woods the children also collected worms, spiders, woodlice and slugs. In PHSE the children have learned to work together and share their ideas to build dens for minibeasts using cardboard boxes, canes and blankets. There has been lots of lovely describing words used when exploring and being 'Minibeast Detectives in the outdoor environment.





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<u>Jupiter</u>: The children have really enjoyed creating their own tortoise shelters in English, there have been some fantastic designs and great communication. There has been some good communication in sensory cookery and food tasting. They have really enjoyed creating owl toasties and trying different foods.

In PSHE we have been exploring what we need to keep healthy, stay clean and look after ourselves, lovely independent work. Well done!



Mars: We have been focusing on fractions of shapes in Maths. In English we watched more of Esio Trot, making Mr Hoppy a fishing rod to catch the tortoise and using phonics knowledge to write a magical spell to help him to grow. In PSHE we decided what we should bring to a sleepover - well done to George for spotting Sarah-Jane had forgotten to pack a toothbrush! In Art the children made fork ostriches and handprint elephants.



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Values Champion of the week: Lewis

Mercury: Class have been working hard this week in PE exploring different movements and mimicking each others dance moves. During music this week, we followed the sequence of a story using pictures of different animals. The children are really engaging with the Pets Poem in English and turn taking on these activities. We are looking forward to Cookery and creating ocean bottles in Science.

Jack & Elliot

Connor

Angel

Values Champion of the week: Kylan

Saturn & Neptune: In Maths some students have been continuing working hard on their subtraction work, whilst others have been working on division and multiplication. In English some have been working on pet poetry and trying to write their poem within the shape of a pet, whilst others have been watching 'Esio Trot'. They have created their own menus and drawn pictures of what they love. We researched the local area and drew maps in Geography. In Science they made the different zones of the ocean in bottles and jars. Some of them worked out really well and you could really see the different zones clearly. In PSHE they continued work on sleepovers, concentrating on appropriate scenarios.

We would like to share a picture of our benches that Eddy has made out

Venus: The pupils have enjoying going deeper in the topic of sea creatures. In Science we learnt about the life cycle of turtles and had a sea sensory story. In Maths we learnt about tally charts and went around the school to find out peoples favourite sea creatures. In ICT we continued to learn about e-safety and practiced our independent typing skills. In PSHE we learnt about personal hygiene as part of our topic 'sleepovers'. Well done Venus!

of pallets and a noughts and crosses game that Ben made out of pebbles





KS 3



Apollo: Lots of lovely work from the whole class in Maths and English this week. In Maths, the pupils have been looking at symmetry and identifying how many lines of symmetry a shape or picture has. In English, we have continued with our story of Sherlock Holmes and used adjectives to describe the different characters along with starting some scary stories using story dice.



Athena: We have had a fabulous week in the sunshine, on and off our great outdoor area. In PSHE we carried on our camping topic and packed all the things we thought we might need and all wrestled the sleeping bag back into its bag! Science was all about sound waves and in PE we started cricket. We looked at technology and how inventions have changed in Humanities and in cooking we tried our hand at fruit scones. Some great work shown in Maths and English too. Well Done Athena



Kite: In English students have carried on exploring horror writing. They watched a clip of Whitby Abbey at night and discussed atmosphere. There were some great descriptions. Students then discussed the character of Dracula and the connection to Whitby Abbey. In Maths students enjoyed making their own game and playing each other's games. They also completed work on place value. Some students even worked up to ten thousand and hundred thousand! Last Friday afternoon students started to do work about Ramadan in RE. It was great to have such a reflective and respectful discussion about other's cultures and beliefs.



Owl: Class continued their Horror topic in English, describing a creepy castle with even creepier statues, some amazing work written about this! In Maths we looked at problem solving and finding our preferred ways of answering these problems. In PSHE we built tents in the classroom showing amazing team work skills and in Art we looked at texture creating art with lots of different materials, everyone had their own unique and creative ideas!



Poseidon: We have enjoyed working outside on the field. We have taken the opportunity to have English, Maths, Humanities, Science and Art outside. In English we have enjoyed communication games and describing spooky scenes. In Brandon Maths we have learnt about symmetric pictures and more and less, and in Humanities we have continued inventing our own games while learning how to build a Davinci Bridge.





KS 4



Atlas: We started our week with PE and our drama story about chasing storms. In creative we continue to look at fashion designer. On Tuesday Erin and Tegan enjoyed their morning in the sunshine at the stables. In Hospitality and Catering Andie, Kieran, Alfi made jacket potatoes. On Wednesday the whole class enjoyed taking part in PE on the new field. On Thursday we enjoyed our story sharing and picked who we invite to a dinner party - we had family member, soap stars and TV characters. In PHSE we are looking at climbing and what we need to wear



Cleveland House: As part of life skills we took a look at this weeks news events by watching Newsround and discussing what is happening in the world around us. This lead to discussions about Earth Day (22nd April) and we completed a quiz where we found out some incredible facts. As today is St George's Day, 6th formers made flags to fly in their homemade scones with cream and jam. They have also begun submitting applications for college courses for the next academic year; exciting times ahead! And finally, some of our students have started a new activity at lunch time; sewing club, we can't wait to see what they create.

Bradley & Kyle F

<u>Hercules:</u> The class have loved being able to go on the school field. We had a good time on Wednesday afternoon saying goodbye to Lotta. In Citizenship, we looked at fears and phobias, and what we were scared of, or not scared of.



Iris & Zeus: Our pupils are really enjoying the story 'Of Mice and Men'. We are getting to know the characters and understanding the context of when the story is set. In History we have been learning about the Native American way of life and culture in the 1800s. In Geography we have learnt about the layers of the tropical rainforest. Mrs Cullen has been delivering her lessons remotely so that has definitely brought a new dimension to lessons! All the pupils have enjoyed them and Finn, who was set a task at home, soon rose to the challenge and found the 3-D objects requested.



<u>Janus:</u> We played walking football in PE, we looked at different fashion items in Art. We went to the park for mental wellbeing on the obstacle course. We had some social time using question cards. We planned a menu for a dinner party in SRE. In History, we are learning about the miners and explored gathering stones.





KS 5



<u>Demeter:</u> The students have been accessing the field and exploring the new space. We have completed a lot of lessons on the field this week including yoga and Rhythmic interaction. In English, we have started to look at Film covers of the King and I. The students used these to understand what that story could be about and who might be in it. We have been focusing on shapes and being able to place them in the correct category. The students were really good at remembering the names and sides of shapes from previous lesson.

Another brilliant week in Demeter



<u>Hera:</u> In Maths we have been focusing on our new topic of shape. We have been exploring shapes in the environment, looking at road signs, shapes in the car, shapes on houses etc. We have been creating our own shape pictures too. In DofE we looked at what we would need to take on our walk and packed a rucksack



Nike: Pupils have continued with their work on the King and I in English and shapes in Maths. In PE pupils have looked at serving in badminton and have had a interoception lesson focussed on the nose. We have also explored the use of money and have completed a number of communication games. The life skills pathways has also seen pupils continue their work down the bungalow. Overall, a really good week!



6th Form: The students in sewing have been making lots of wonderful creations they have made beautiful pyjama trousers and Bags and in DIY the students have been very busy making: Candle holders, refurbished a garden bench, made lantern holders for garden and learnt how to repoint Brick work. On Monday some students started work experience at Cattows farm and have really enjoyed their first day. Have a great weekend enjoy the sunshine.



The DIY group are taking orders for lantern holders and outside drink trays.

