



Dorothy Goodman School Parent Newsletter

Friday 1st October 2021

From our headteacher: Yay - the new Key Stage 1 play area has finally opened for all of the pupils and they have been having a lovely time exploring the space. Emre and Izaak have really enjoyed the new swings (in the sunshine and the rain) and all of the pupils have been sharing the new space. Sammy enjoyed exploring the bark whilst Reuben spent time relaxing on the grass, lots of the pupils have been whizzing around on the scooters and a few have found a little bit of mud to play in.

Jupiter class have continued to explore the Vikings through a sensory story and it was lovely to see Helena responding to the rocks falling in the cave (soft balls), she was very clear that she wanted it to stop and got up to show that she had finished. Julie explained how Noah has been anticipating the story, requesting more of the lights and the snoring but just like Helena he has not enjoyed the rocks falling in the cave and has been taking himself away from the noise. Gianna in Earth had drawn her own Viking hero, the drawing was very detailed and she had chosen some excellent adjectives to describe her and was confident when she shared this with the class at the end of the lesson.

Pupils at the secondary site have had the opportunity to work with an artist this week, they have been painting rocks that will be used to create a sculpture in the style of Andy Goldsworthy. Each pupil has contributed at least one rock towards the sculpture, Reece really enjoyed being in the art room and meeting a new person. He worked hard to paint his rock (a very bright blue colour) and had really good coverage which came from staff spinning the plate he had placed his rock on. Some pupils have chosen to add an extra sparkle with the use of glitter and we can't wait to see the finished piece.

It is also important that we say a huge WELL DONE to Saturn and Neptune class who raised £121 for Cancer Research at the coffee morning (just for pupils and staff) that they held last Friday. The cakes were delicious (so thank you to everyone who baked) – Katie Noon and I got to have a slice of cake and a coffee but the morning was made even more memorable when we were treated to a puppet show by one of the pupils.

Thank you once again to everyone who is taking part in the lateral flow testing please continue to record your results [here](#).



Kelly



Important Reminder

Please remember

That we are a
nut-free school.

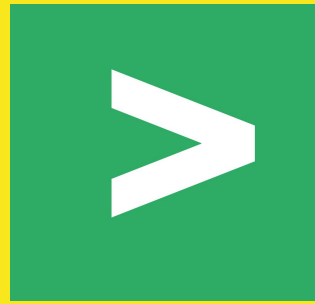
Thank you.





School Notices

Date	Event	Location
Mon 18th - Fri 22nd Oct	Autumn Half Term	School Closed
Wed 27th - Fri 29th Oct	Kingswood Residential	Kingswood
Thu 28th Oct	School photo	Primary
Fri 29th Oct	School photo	Secondary



1. Visit www.myschoolfund.org to register for free.
2. Link to your child's school
3. Spend at participating retailers
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LUNCHES



w/c 4th October 2021 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

We would like to remind you that we have a no-debt procedure for our school meal service.

If your child is not entitled to free school meals, they MUST be in credit if they wish to have a school dinner.

Thank you for your understanding.

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.



Arbor Attendance

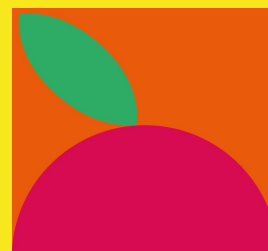
Please remember to let us know if your child is not going to be in school. **You can call but you can also email or send an in-app message via Arbor.**

This can also be used to make the office aware of future appointments that your child may have. Thank you.

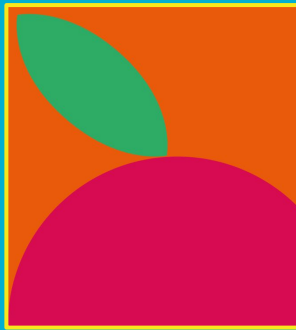
TOYS WANTED for play therapy

Board games, jigsaws, pretend play e.g dolls, pushchair, medical toys, kitchen toys, musical instruments, books, lego/mega blocks, cd player, cd's, puppets, wooden/plastic figures (see picture below), including any types of animals, people (including soldiers), shells, stones etc.

Many thanks.



Other Notices



Saturday 30
October
2021



Sense College Loughborough



NHS Get your Covid jab in Hinckley!

Drop in session available at
Hinckley Leisure Centre
this **Saturday 2 October**
from **10am to 12noon**

This is for the **Pfizer** vaccine only.

No appointment is necessary, **now available** to anyone **aged 16** or older who has not yet been vaccinated or who received their first vaccination at least eight weeks ago is eligible to drop in and get vaccinated.

If this weekend isn't convenient then dates for further drop-in clinics across the county are updated on the Leicestershire NHS website search for **#GetVaxxedLLR**

LATEST SESSION!



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>



Virtual Open Day

Start with a virtual tour of the College and an overview of what we can offer, followed by dedicated sessions on each of our curriculum pathways, a range of activities for your young person to take part in, and a chance to meet our team.

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Monday 4th October | 5pm - 8pm
Nuneaton & Harrowbrook Campus
Tuesday 5th October | 5pm - 8pm

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Highlights of the week

KS 1

- Lemurs:** Making sandwiches in cooking, some great independent achievements.
- Leopards:** We had a very exciting communication lesson this week, we had lots of messy fun with shredded paper and ice!
- Lions:** Highlight of the week was seeing a really fantastic hydro pool session for those pupils requiring it. Lots of really hard work! Well done!
- Llamas:** Bowies anticipation during our Peace at Last sensory story
- Tigers:** It has been lovely to see the children interact with each other independently on turn taking games.
- Turtles:** Jacob B growing in confidence as he explored the sensory materials in science.

KS 2

- Earth:** This week the children tried really hard measuring, mixing and problem solving during their cookery session.
- Jupiter:** Accepting a new friend in class and good communication
- Mars:** All the children doing amazing turn taking during game time.
- Mercury:** Making cupcakes in cooking as they were delicious.
- Neptune & Saturn:** Both Neptune and Saturn had a fabulous Coffee morning last Friday. Everyone worked really hard making amazing cakes to sell, which enabled us to raise £121 for the MacMillan Cancer charity
- Venus:** Children really enjoyed their whole class soft play session at playtime to build positive friendships.

KS 3

- Apollo:** Tyler becoming a coach in PE and helping his fellow peers
- Kites:** Showcasing their hotels created in different parts of the world.
- Owls:** Everybody working together and helping their classmates.
- Poseidon:** Daisy, Aidan, Pimmi, John and Zayan playing snakes and ladders with minimal adult support altogether. Practicing sharing and what makes a good friend in RSE.

KS 4

- Atlas:** seeing everyone working on there physio and making improvements
- Hercules:** Madison using her talker to talk about shopping with Chloe
- Iris & Zeus:** Acting out scenes from Lord of the Flies.
- Janus:** Working well with changes throughout the week

KS5- Bradley and Alex completing their A Level mock exams.

Cleveland House: KS4- Jack undertaking his all day Art mock GCSE exam.

KS3 - Well done to KS3_ - coping with a lot of changes this week.

KS 5

- 6th Form:** Playing tennis at Hollycroft park
- Demeter:** Dodgeball PE lesson
- Nike:** Ellie has been consistently using her talker independently throughout all lessons. She has also showed another student how to navigate their talker.

This week in pictures



Key Stage 1

Leopards: We explored all things purple, the children enjoyed trying purple food, exploring purple frozen flowers and dressing up in purple clothes.

Some of the children had an active P.E lesson with Simon, they were using all their coordination and concentration to navigate the obstacle course while the others danced and moved their bodies to music. The week was rounded off nicely with fun in soft play.

Simon

Lions: We have continued to learn about our senses both in play sessions, topic lessons and some really fun sensory stories. It has been good to see the pupils becoming more familiar with our stories and begin to anticipate the activities that come along with them. A challenging PE lesson saw the children have to navigate their way around an extremely long set of balance beams, climbing triangles and benches to end with a large jump on to a crash mat. Lots of nervousness before jumping on to the crash mat but a lot of laughter after landing and finding how soft it is!

Reuben

Turtles: Our focus has been on the sense of touch. Kenzie could use all his senses to describe a marshmallow and tell us which part of his body he uses for each sense. There has been super engagement in our science lesson where everyone found their favourite sensory activity to use with either their feet or hands. In maths we have been looking at patterns and making patterns using beads, numicon, coloured bears and Lego.

Kacper
Jacob

Lemurs: We have had another fabulous time in the music hut, with our students showing some budding talent on the keyboard and was great to see them all engaged, in Cooking we had a messy time making our sandwiches and trying all sorts of different foods.

Leni

Llamas: In Maths we have been exploring shapes and shape patterns. We used paint to match and continue patterns and some pupils created their own. In Literacy we concluded the sensory story of 'Peace at Last'. Everyone is getting really good at anticipating the different sounds in the story. In Topic we have been learning about our sense of hearing and have explored musical and animal sounds.

Rayyan

Tigers: The children adapted to change from swimming really positively this week. They engaged on the sensory story exploring each sense. During Science, we were focusing on touch and descriptions using a bag of toys and a blindfold. Fantastic engagement to learning this week! :)

Mia
Bentley

Key Stage 2

Earth: The children have been getting creative when making their Vikings, there has been some fantastic description and discussion around their creations. In Maths we have continued with the volume and capacity topic, children have shown great confidence measuring a range of items and correcting and editing their measures when following recipes. - Well Done! In Art children worked collaboratively to create a leaf dragon exploring a range of printing techniques.

Bethany

Mars: We have explored our Viking sensory story for English . We made Viking houses in art which was lots of fun and very messy then we made and a Viking stew in cooking. We also has a good PE session where all the children were very engaged working on balance.

Luke

Neptune: In English we have investigated nouns and adjectives and how we can describe dragons. In maths we have followed instructions and used our directional language to find the X. In science we put on our creative hats and built an electrical circuit on a Viking Long Ship! In History we discovered the different careers that Vikings had.

Jacob

Jupiter: We have made our own playdough, been on various sensory adventures with dragons, numbers and endangered animals, made our own tally charts and longboats and continued our safety with electricity.

Gianna

Mercury: We have enjoyed exploring where animals live and painting bottles to enable us to play skittles all together. It was great to see children turn taking and cheering on their peers to knock all of the skittles down. In Maths we have started looking at shapes. Mercury have been making and matching them.

Ryley
Kara

Saturn: In Science we continued our work on circuits. Cameron made an amazing Viking Helmet with numerous circuits on it. In maths the students have been working on division - problem solving and sharing out fruit. In English they have been listening to Viking chants and created their own dance routine.

Romeo

Venus: This week pupils enjoyed learning about tally charts in maths. They asked their peers who their favourite 'How to train your dragon' character was and then put the data into bar charts. In English pupils took part in write dance and phonics with some clear progress in letter formation and recognising the different sounds. In Science pupils learnt about conductors and insulators, making predictions about which items work work as part of an electrical circuit. Well done Venus.

Key Stage 3

Owls: Owls have been challenging themselves with place value problems in Maths. Comic strips have been the theme in English and we have had some very imaginative stories! We flew to France with Kites (they dropped us off on the way to Italy and Denmark). When we got there we learned a little bit about famous landmarks and then tried some typical French food - croissants were a firm favourite but the Brie reminded us of smelly feet!

Callum

Poseidon: Class have had a super busy week! In Maths we have been exploring measurement by following a recipe to measure out ingredients to make muffins and biscuits. In English Ethan and Anton have been using colorful semantics to build their sentences. Ethan tried really hard to practice his handwriting skills. Zayan has worked really hard this week in Maths using his number knowledge to work out number problems. In Science we have been exploring light and dark light sources and Lennon enjoyed exploring the different lights in the sensory room. In PSHE we looked at endangered animals and Aidan could explain to me what extinct means and what animals he liked and disliked. Brandon in RSE enjoyed working with Lennon with the shaving foam and clapped his hands and made Poseidon class have snow. Rohaan taught the class some music yesterday practicing rhythm and movement and made an excellent beat!

Zayan

Apollo: In English, pupils became the teacher by corrected a piece of writing which had no capital letters or full stops in. They then went on to write a short story, making sure that they had the correct punctuation throughout.

In Art, pupils took on the style of Georgia O'Keeffe and created autumnal pieces using leaves, conkers, paint and wax crayons.

Alexie

Kites: In Modern Foreign Languages this week we have been travelling to different countries and hotels familiarising ourselves with their location on the world map. We have been to Italy and Denmark! Our PSHE lesson was based upon our endangered animals topic. We made posters to persuade people to help these animals and what we can do to help with this. We will be thinking of some fundraising ideas next week. Our English sessions involved using the play dough models we made last week and creating short clips to represent the 'pigeon impossible' clip. In Maths we focused on place value, ensuring we keep the hundreds, tens and ones in the correct columns.

Have a good weekend!

Harley

Key Stage 4

Atlas: Some of our class tried out their standers in a different class and situation, they were very tolerant to the change. Other children, within the class, were very helpful and tolerant of the space needed and offered help. We enjoyed our Art session and yoga. Everyone tried different moves and engaged really well. The class have also enjoyed their swimming sessions in the hydro pool and pathways groups. In R.E some of the students created stars to represent Abrahams friends. They all really enjoyed this and did it as independently as they cold. Lots of smiles and happy faces this week.

Erin

Iris & Zeus: Although the week has flown by there has been lots of enjoyment throughout the week. From team building activities; learning about Cubism art; role playing cyberbullying and the consequences of actions; to acting out short scenes from our current book, Lord of the Flies. In History, we continue finding out about the Suffragettes but also thinking about why people protest and in RE we have been tasting the food that might be used in a Passover Celebration. Whilst in Science pupils have been learning about the different organs in the body and where they are located.

Ryan
Will
Amber
Alexis

Hercules: We have explored human tissue and made our own moving hands. We have continued to focus on our football skills in PE. We have been building on our team skills in both Art and RSE building structures with cocktail sticks and following instructions to make our own playdough.

Madison

Janus: A challenging week with a few changes and the weather getting a bit colder but the young people have responded brilliantly to this. In Science we continued to look at the respiratory system and all the students showed their growing understanding of this. In Art we carried on looking at wallpaper patterns and students really enjoyed deciding what wallpapers they would like in their home, there was some very interesting decisions!

Harley

Cleveland House: KS5- Now the cold weather has arrived the students will be making a warming leek and potato soup. Also our students at college are managing well in their new college courses and are getting positive feedback.

KS4-In English our students have been preparing for their 10 minute speaking presentation next week. In the group PHSE lesson our students began planning for a fundraising event and have come up with some great ideas, we will keep you posted!!.

KS3- In Science students have been learning about respiration and breathing whilst in DT they have begun to make key rings. In English they have been learning how Latin is important in the English language.

Key Stage 5

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Laycen

KS4
Rubi

KS5
Bradley

6th Form: In Maths we have been looking at place value in 2 and three digit numbers, 10 more and 10 less. Kyle and Joe have worked on Level 2 maths assessments. The science experiment in English was very popular, this inked to the book Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde. In sewing pathway Chloe has nearly finished making her apron and Kyle is making his final bunting project. The students really enjoyed playing tennis at Hollycroft park. The students said the tennis session was very practical and everyone was involved, the area was nice and quiet, it is more fun to do it at Hollycroft than in the hall at school.

Nyah

Callum

Tahlia

Demeter: We have had lots of good communication happening in class this week. The dodgeball lesson was a highlight, with all students joining in more than usual. The cooking pathway successfully made fairy cakes, scones and sandwiches, for an English tea party. And we have continued our Sea Kayaking sensory story.

Charli

Nike: This week, students continued covering the book 'The Beach'. Students read a sensory story, played a vocabulary matching game, and tried foods from America, France, Thailand, and the UK. The Twinkies and the scones were a big hit! Students also continued to learn about self-portrait artists and completed a self-portrait collage. In PE, students did yoga and played a game of dodgeball against Demeter class. Have a great weekend.

Ellie

Have a great weekend.