



Friday 26th November 2021

Dorothy Goodman School Parent Newsletter

From our headteacher: The pupils have really shown their creative flair this week and it has been great to see all of the work that they have completed. Atlas class were working hard to make their door display Noah and Alfi were working with clay to make pendants. Noah was using different tools to make patterns in the clay. Mollie was starting to show her interest in the sensory bottles that were being created and was deciding whether she would like more sparkly stars to go in. Alexie, Emma and Lillibeth showcased their work and shared what had inspired them. Alexie had been inspired by the fair whilst Lillibeth had used a Van Gogh painting for her inspiration.

The Vocational 6th Form were using their creative inspiration to prepare for the Christmas market. Daisy and Kyle were making gift bags, Daisy and Krystal worked together to spray pine cones and Chloe is feeling a little overwhelmed with all of her orders at the moment – apparently school are asking her to prioritise learning which is creating a barrier to meeting customer demand.

Pupils in Saturn were engaged and ‘travelling’ the world in their lesson. Karl was happy to share he was off to America and packed his roller suitcase. Macie was confident to talk about what she likes about school and how school helps her and what she needs to do to make sure she progresses. Well done Macie, very polite and positive about school. In Tigers and Turtles the pupils were working together in parachute games and having fun while learning to share.

The work of the school has been captured by a videographer this week, he was impressed by the hard work of all the pupils and enjoyed his interviews with pupils which included George at Cleveland House, Edward at the Primary site and Josh at the Secondary site. He caught up with a group at the Vocational 6th Form and all I can say is he has over 16 hours of footage to make a four minute video so I’m not sure what will make the cut although he shared that he had never had an experience like his visit to the farm (so I think that might make it in)!

Please continue to do your twice weekly lateral flow testing on Sunday night / Monday morning and Wednesday night / Thursday morning. Thank you for all of your support in keeping the school community safe.



LUNCHES



w/c 29th November 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

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.



Kelly



Date	Event	Location
Wed 15th Dec	Christmas Dinner	Secondary School Cleveland House HAJC 6th Form
Thur 16th Dec	Christmas Dinner	Primary School
Fri 17th Dec	Last day of term	



School 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>

Specialist
Autism
Team
ChatAutism



Send a
text to:
**07312
277097**

The specialist autism team have a text message service for autistic people aged 14 and over

If you want to talk about:

Emotional wellbeing

Drugs, Alcohol, Smoking

Healthy lifestyle

Understanding your autism

Healthy relationships

Finding support

We are delighted to share the news that 2 of our KS4 students, Tarell and Will, were part of the Move Like Me program with Youth Sports Trust. This is a platform targeted at getting young people with SEND more physically active, with a series of videos delivered by other young people with SEND. The boys have worked extremely hard over the past few years as part of the school's sports leadership pathway and have recorded videos that have been shared on the platform. You'll find their instructional videos for Boxing and Rugby workouts, on the link

<https://www.youthsporttrust.org/move-like-me>



Breakfast Club **must** be booked by 3pm the day before required (for Monday this must be done by Friday 3pm) This is for safeguarding and staffing reasons so we can ensure that the correct staff are in place for your child's needs

Thank you!

OPEN EVENT

Date: Sat 27 Nov 2021 Time: 10:00 am - 2:00 pm Location: All campuses Share this post: #LeicesterCollege





*Thank you for helping us to raise
£223
for Children in Need 2021*

DGS Girl's Football Team

This week, we were delighted to hold our first Girl's Football training session with our brand new team kit, supplied by our sponsors Trade Centre UK. The girls loved their new kit and can't wait to continue with their hard work wearing it, in preparation for our fixtures against other SEN schools in the future.



This week in pictures



Highlights of the week

KS 1

Leopards:

This week we had so much fun decorating ballerinas and painting nutcrackers as part of Creative week..

Lemurs:

Everyone making a junk model robot

Lions:

Dressing up as robots and making robot sounds

Llamas:

Great engagement from all pupils during our active maths lesson thinking about on in on and under.

Tigers & Turtles:

The children were throwing and catching, initiating games with more peers during PE

KS 2

Earth:

Fantastic Engagement and exploration during creative week the children thoroughly enjoyed it especially learning the samba

Jupiter:

Pupils taking care of their needs and each others needs independently. Some fantastic respect towards each other.

Mars:

Learning all about different countries for creative week and lots of messy creative activities

Mercury:

We loved celebrating children in need last friday!

Neptune:

Becoming witches and wizards on Wednesday afternoon and watching our potion exploded in the playground.

Saturn:

During a PE session in soft play we had a 'holding on' challenge, Danielle was able to hold on for 2 minutes and 8 seconds

Venus:

Pupils loved making a Giant's footprint as part of our creative week and comparing the size to their own footprints.

KS 3

Apollo:

All the class helping each other to create amazing Artwork for the door: it really does shine!

Athena:

Creating potions linked to our work on stardust for creative week.

Kites:

Turing the side room into an outer space scene.

Owls:

making potions for creative week

Poseidon:

All working together in our super Science egg experiment

KS 4

Atlas:

Everyone getting messy and accidentally redecorating Atlas class during Creative week.

Hera:

Seeing how much Hera pupils absolutely loved taking part in Creative Week and how creative they are, so much fun and so much CREATIVITY!!!

Hercules:

Creating our own individual stars and night skies for creative week.

Iris & Zeus:

Joining in Creative Week!

Janus:

Great work throughout the week on stardust

KS 5

Demeter:

The whole class working, in the same space.

Nike:

Kairiah using her talker to respond in full sentences with minimal prompting!

6th Form:

Carla passing her driving test first time. Daisy and Callum.H passing level 2 Food Hygiene. Leo attending work experience and completing tasks independently. Josh.B showing maturity and adapting to a change of timetable.

Cleveland House:

KS 5 experienced a very interesting demonstration on driving safety.

Key Stage 1

Leopards: This week we have enjoyed participating in creative week, we have made lots of Christmas decorations out of gluten free playdough, had lots of fun dancing like ballerinas to The Nutcracker Music and rounding a busy week off with fun in soft play.

Henry-Paul

Lions: Lions class have enjoyed Creative Week this week. We have used the story of the Nutcracker as our theme. In our dance and drama session we followed instructions to act as toys such as soldiers, cars, dinosaurs and superheroes. In topic we made robots using junk modelling and dressed up as robots- everyone loved the tin foil! We had lots of laughs and funny reactions when exploring it. During our art sessions we have made a variety of Nutcrackers in different styles and using different materials.

Alex

Tigers & Turtles: Turtles and Tigers have been very creative this week with exploring different junk modelling activities as well as working together as a team during parachute games in write dance. The children enjoyed role play of pretending to be different toys.

Lacey-May
Kacper

Lemurs: It has been Creative Week this week, and we have been focusing on the story of the Nutcracker, in cooking we made ballerinas from bananas and chocolate, the children enjoyed a very messy art lesson making salt dough toys. The children really displayed their creative side whilst making robots and everybody made one which was great to see such brilliant engagement from the whole class!

Alperen

Llamas: It has been creative week in school this week and we have all had lots of fun getting creative with activities around the story of The Nutcracker. We used a variety of media to make collages to illustrate the story and in write dance made marks to different pieces of music relating to the story. In topic we have continued to explore and sort materials by given criteria-this week we have focussed on hard and soft.

Bowie

Key Stage 2

Earth: This week we have had great fun in teaching group learning and exploring thanksgiving and there has been lovely communication and engagement during Sherborne. During our creative sessions we have had fun exploring herbs to make out scented bags, exploring a range of media when making our llamas. When making our versions of the ancient ruins we have built with Lego, moulded with clay and crafted using different papers and cards

Nahla

Mars: This week Mars have enjoyed a number of creative activities. Mars had great fun with ice and powdered paint to create a very sensory piece of art work and using pipettes to squeeze food colouring out onto icing sugar for another piece of sensory art work. On Friday afternoon, Mars enjoyed learning about Peru and their llamas! They decorated their own wooly jumper with different wool.

Carlene

Neptune: This week has been creative week. As part of our celebrations we investigated countries in South America, and things they are famous for. We have become giants and created our own giant. We decorated our door to look like the Rainforest. We became witches and wizards on Wednesday afternoon and made our own potions.

Kareena

Venus: This week has been creative week! We have done the story 'The boy who Biked the world - The America's.' Children enjoys Alpaca arts and crafts and moving like a Giant during music/role play. In math's the children have been learning about fractions. They enjoyed making playdough pizza and cutting it into halves, thirds and quarters. In science we learnt about being healthy adults. Children worked around 3 different stations: fruit and vegetables, exercise and self-care. Well done Venus!

Jenny
Laith

Jupiter: This week we have been making collages of things we would like for Christmas exploring our personal preferences, we have been exploring adulthood through occupational role play being vets, doctors, dentists, beauticians, litter pickers, train drives and much more. In Cooking we made our Pizza wraps this time allowing the pupils to independently remember the process and self resource too. The pupils were able to remember the kitchen safety remembering to ask the adult to put them in the oven for them. Well done. We have also done a lot of focused work around communication throughout all of our lessons.

Edward

Mercury: We have loved getting creative every afternoon this week! We have created our own llamas and painted them. We also really enjoyed creating potions with vinegar and bicarbonate of soda and making it explode over the cup! It was amazing to see the children faces light up when it all flowed over and they wanted to do it over and over again. Making cookies was a huge success too. All the children were able to follow the instructions and took home some yummy cookies!

George
Alfie

Saturn: In English this week we have continued our 'New York Baby' story. The students made a turkey and pickle sandwich and the following day ordered the pictures of them making the sandwiches and added writing next to each photograph. In maths the students have been working on time. In geography the students had a fantastic time learning all about different areas in America. They learned about Texas and dressed up as cowboys, they made a star for the Hollywood walk of fame, they built the Whitehouse out of blocks and used recycling products to make boats to sail on the Mississippi River. Lacey-Mae and Romeo put on a show for the videography that was in school, making a promotional video for the school.

Nellie
Omella

Key Stage 3

Apollo: What a lovely week celebrating everything arty! From making salt dough jewellery to painting starry night skies, from writing our names in stars to decorating the door: I can quite confidently say that Apollo class have enjoyed Art week. Please look out for our door in the photos: Shine bright like a diamond.

A big thank you to Emma, Alexie and Lillibeth for the fantastic dance club this week, it was a huge success and one that everyone is looking forward to next week. Well done girls!

John C

Poseidon: This week has been creative week and Poseidon have been watching the film stardust and making their own witches potion and making art work inspired by the film. In English we have been looking at the digraph 'oo' sound and Ethan, John and Rohaan did some excellent sound work and brilliant sentences using different words with the oo sound in. In math's we have been exploring addition and using 10 frames to work out equations. In PSHE we had our log cabin experience sensory story and Pimmi, Anton and Brandon loved exploring the snow and the different elements of the story. In Science we have been exploring materials and as a team we had to pick different materials to protect the egg. Zayan and Aidan worked really hard as a pair and enjoyed dropping the egg from a height and seeing if it had cracked. Ishan did some brilliant work on the different types of materials signing hard and soft.

Rohaan
Daisy

Athena: This week Athena class have fully immersed themselves in creative week. We have made potions and recreated the work of Van Gogh's Starry Night. We have created our own enchanted forest to decorate our doors for a key stage competition.

George

Kites: Kites have enjoyed creative week and used the story Stardust as inspiration. All pupils have helped turn the side room into an outer space scene, with the walls decorated from top to bottom. With moons, stars and solar systems painted on the walls (which we backed with black paper). We also used glitter to add some finishing touches to bring some shine to the room and the pupils all worked excellently with one another, a real team effort. We have also created potions and our own worlds, which has been lots of fun.

Alfie

Owls: This week in Owls we have enjoyed creative week activities including making potions, writing stories and creating our own dream world. we have also been decorating our classroom door! In Maths our group have continued to work on our column addition and subtraction and have also made our own weather reports for the week ahead and presented them to the class.

In English we did some creative writing about the warden in holes and practiced our dictionary skills.

Aaryan

Key Stage 4

Atlas: Another trip to the mountains in PSHE again this week, imagining going on a ski trip. We've enjoyed our very own cinema experience watching 'Stardust' and getting inspiration as part of Creative week. During

Maths Danish was happy to explore the cocoa beans inside a bottle simulating the sound of a blender. We've been continuing to learn about habitats in Science and Erin and Ellie completed fact files about dingoes. The boys did a great job of labelling the parts of the Dingo too!

Lewis



A huge well done to Erin for engaging amazingly well to produce this fantastic piece of Art.

Hera: As well as our usual curriculum we have had lots of opportunities to demonstrate our creativity. Hera pupils have enjoyed the story of 'Stardust' the book and film, they have expressed their creativity through various tasks and free flow sessions from colourful semantics to making, cooking and colouring salt dough. We made a wall from salt dough and lots of pendants. Lewis used Lego to make a magical enclosure for unicorns, complete with colourful gravel (coloured rice) and salt dough stepping stones. Our main theme in Hera was unicorns and the pupils have loved surrounding us with these beautiful mythical creatures.

Zara

Iris & Zeus: We have had a really enjoyable week doing lots of arts activities every afternoon as part of Creative Week. From reconstructing Van Gogh's 'Starry Night', silhouettes of Icarus and making the constellations; to creating a new dance and trying magic tricks; every pupil has got involved and we have had a lot of fun - even though it got a bit messy at times! Some of our pupils also got to see a more serious event. The local fire brigade came to HAJC to show what happens when there is a car accident and they have to get people out of the wreckage. They were able to watch the crew at work using all their equipment. The event was aimed at sixth formers who drive but our pupils were fascinated to see all the cutting equipment in action.

Kailon
Spencer

Hercules: This week we have continued to explore prey and predators in the animal food chain. We have explored all things germs and disease reminding ourselves to wash our hands often! We've reminded ourselves of the key practises of Hinduism.

Chloe

Janus: This week we have had a lot of fun looking at stardust as part of our creative week activities, having a range of activities throughout the week including some creative writing about the witches, making our own protective flowers, and also making our own "worlds" music which the students really enjoyed!

Kaydone

Key Stage 5

6th Form: Congratulations to Carla who passed her driving test . Daisy and Callum. H have also worked hard to complete their Level 2 safer food hygiene qualification, this has enabled them to join the kitchen serving team who serve hot dinners to other Vocational 6th form students. They have all shown resilience and perseverance with learning the required skills and should be proud of their achievements. For creative week some students looked at Van Gogh and painted pictures whilst listening to classical music. Other students learnt about origami and followed steps to create their own stars. The Forest schools group have been exploring new parts of the woods and constructing seesaws and bridges from natural materials.

In Art we have been designing Christmas crafts and the sewing pathways group are continuing with their Christmas themed bottle bags.



Demeter: The class enjoyed doing science experiments with vinegar and bicarbonate of soda, to make a 'volcano' and also adding Mentos to fizzy pop to cause a reaction.

Some of our students helped out with decorating the class door in the theme of the film Stardust.



Nike: students continued working on gymnastics in PE. Lots of obstacle courses and stretching. In English we continued our poetry unit and worked on rhyming words. In maths, we continued working hard on fractions. In cooking pathways, students made Scottish shortbread and shared with the keystage. Creative week was also this week. Students watched the film 'Stardust', decorated the door with a lot of glitter and sparkles, and completed a few 'starry' activities.



Have a great weekend.



KS3- YR 7 In Humanities our students are learning about the Pharaoh's. In YR 8- Creative writing in Gothic themes.. In YR9 our students were discovering Atom and Elements in Science.

KS4 George has completed a required practical in chemistry. Danni was just one mark off a 9 in English, a fantastic achievement

KS 5 Fascinating insight into diving safety organised by the Fire Service. In chemistry Bradley has been making Aspirin and testing its purity. The class cooked a Vegan Butternut squash curry, a VEGETARIAN FEAST!!!.

Jack

Euan



Polite Reminder

Please remember that the speed limit in all of the Dorothy Goodman School Car Parks is 5mph. This is to ensure the safety of our young people. Thank you for your cooperation.

Have a wonderful weekend!