



Dorothy Goodman School Parent Newsletter

Friday 4th March 2022

From our headteacher: Seeing everyone dressed up for World Book Day this week gave us all a real boost – the costumes were amazing, colourful and very creative. Well done to everyone for taking part. We have seen some really focused learning this week. At the HAJC base Amber, Brett, Alexis and Lola were able to talk Julie through the work that they were doing. Sam shared how he needed some support with the revision for his GCSE History paper on Power as he felt that he had not found the right strategy for supporting him to recall information. Omar, Lennon and Brandon were exploring full and empty while Pimmada and Alex were engaged in number work.

Pupils have continued to engage well at the leisure centre. Ben worked really well using his motivators to transition out of the pool whilst Emily worked hard on her transition into the pool managing to get her toes in the water and engaging in splashing. PJ listened really well at the pool following instructions on how to improve his swimming strokes. Saturn and Neptune had the chance to make a contribution to the local community this week by joining Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council to plant trees – Cameron recognise the importance of what they were doing when the group leader asked ‘why do we need trees?’ and he replied ‘they are the Earth’s lungs’.

Omella, Connor, Rishi, Jake, Lacey-Mae, Macie and some other pupils took part in a cross country event with Richmond pupils. They represented the school really well and tried hard – Jake managed to cross the finish line even though he kept saying ‘I am going to die’. Thank you to Eddy and Tracy for supporting the pupils to take part (they even ran the races with them).

Over at Cleveland House all of the pupils enjoyed making and eating the pancakes and Carter and George did a fantastic job of cleaning the kitchen. The Vocational 6th Form pupils were learning about weighing and measuring as part of making their pancakes. Stephen explained how he was following the recipe and had collected a jug to measure the millilitres and weighing scales to measure the flour in grams. He talked about how his learning in maths could be used across the base talking about how he used measuring in DIY and cooking.

Thank you for continuing with your weekly testing on Sunday evening/Monday morning and Wednesday evening / Thursday morning. If you need access to lateral flow tests please let the office know.



Date	Event	Location/Info
Thu 7th April	Parents Evening	Details to follow
Mon 11th - 22nd April	Easter Break	School Closed
Mon 30th May - Fri 3rd June	Half Term	School Closed
Thur 7th July	Last Day of School for Summer	

Notices



Free, fun and inclusive sessions for 2 -18 year olds. Extra wheelchairs provided so the whole family can join in!



Sunday 24th April

**10am – 12pm Or
12.30pm – 2.30pm**

**Leicester Grammar
School, London Road,
Great Glen,
Leicestershire, LE8 9FL**

**To book a free
place email:**

training@gokidsgo.org.uk



LUNCHES



w/c 7th March 2022

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.



Brooksby Melton College and Stephenson College now form the SMB Group.

For those of you starting to think about next steps when leaving Dorothy Goodman we would encourage you to access some of the open/taster days the SMB Group are now offering, especially those of you in key stage 5.

Brooksby College in particular offer animal care and horticulture courses that other local colleges do not.

These open day/taster events will give students the chance to get to know the colleges, tour their facilities and have a go at some fun, interactive activities in the subjects they are interested in.

Stephenson Campus, Coalville: Sat 12 March from 9 am to 1.30 pm

Brooksby Campus: Sat 19 March 2022 from 9.00 am to 1.30 pm

Melton Campus: Sat 26 March 2022 from 9.00 am to 1.30 pm

To register your interest in attending click on <https://www.smbcollegelgroup.ac.uk/news-events/events>



CLASS REQUESTS/MESSAGES

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING ABOUT YOUR CHILDS
AND WIDER FAMILIES CULTURES VIA FOOD OR OTHER RELEVANT
ITEMS, PLEASE GET IN TOUCH - LEMURS

IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE COULD YOU
SEND A PAIR OF NAMED WELLIES INTO SCHOOL AS OUR
PLAYGROUND IS VERY MUDDY AT THE MOMENT. THANK YOU.

- LLAMAS

PLEASE SEND IN SHORT STORY REPLIES OR FILL THE FORM
IN ON-LINE ASAP. ALSO SEND IN PE KITS. - SATURN

PLEASE SEND IN PE KIT (INCLUDING APPROPRIATE
FOOTWEAR) ON MONDAYS AND FRIDAYS. - KITES

SWIMMING ON MONDAYS, HYDROPOOL THURSDAYS. -

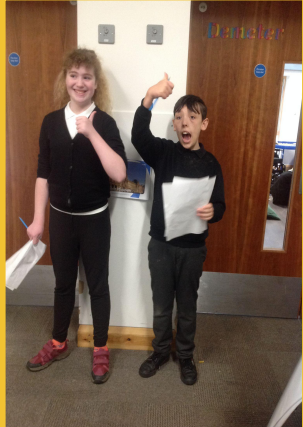
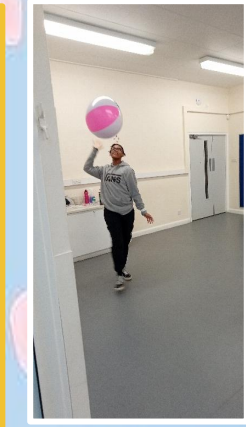
ATLAS

PLEASE CAN YOU SEND IN CONTAINERS TO
TAKE COOKING HOME PLEASE.. - IRIS / ZEUS

PLEASE REMEMBER TO SEND STUDENTS
IN WITH A PE KIT - PE CLASS



This week in pictures





PE, School Sport and Physical Activity

Highlight of the week: This highlight for me this week was seeing the effort from our KS5 group in the cardio workout. The students have been working so hard this term and are starting to notice improvements in their own fitness and performance. We also had a really nice discussion about exercise that the students are taking up in their own time after enjoying the sessions in school, which is fantastic to hear!

KS 1

We have been developing our movement skills through play, with a carousel of obstacles and gymnastics equipment.

KS 2

Worked on "striking through" a ball using equipment this week. We've carried on with tennis equipment and have enjoyed hitting the ball with power this week.

KS 3

In our tennis unit, our focus was on striking with accuracy. We played games with basic tactics and worked on positioning within a game.

KS 4

Our basketball work continued, with our first larger sided game this week. We worked on dribbling and this was on show during the game.

KS 5

This week our running group braved the rain and can be very proud of their efforts. Elsewhere the circuit training group did an intense and sweaty cardio session with 100% effort from all.

Primary

Lilia for excellent swimming and braving the deep end.

Secondary

Jamie for engagement in PE & leadership of his team in Basketball.

KS 1

Llamas:

Everyone communicating their likes and dislikes during our Mexican food tasting.

Lemurs:

A fantastic cooking session, making pancakes and bagels

Leopards:

What's in the bucket communication session

Lions:

The love of pancakes during our snack time on Tuesday.

Tigers & Turtles:

World Book Day!

KS 2

Earth:

Fantastic engagement and discussion during world book day activities

Jupiter:

Fantastic communication and social interaction

Neptune:

The amazing experience of planting trees for Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council.

Saturn:

The students completing the cross country at Brookvale College on Saturday

Venus:

All the children loved celebrating World Book Day!

Cleveland House:

KS 3 Making DELICIOUS!!!! Pancakes

Iris & Zeus

Sam and Bradley achieving great results in their mock GCSE exams!

Highlights of the week

KS 3

Apollo:

Working together as a team to make pancakes

Athena:

Our sherborne session where we have been focusing on working with our peers.

Kites:

Creative depictions of the Witches from Macbeth through art and drama.

Owls:

Making potions in English based on the 3 witches from Macbeth

Poseidon:

Exploring the solar system in science.

KS 4

Atlas:

Ellie C for excellent effort and sharing her understanding of data in computing

Hercules:

World Book Day costumes!

Janus:

Seeing all the great work for world book day

KS 5

6th Form:

Cole and Kieran demonstrating great resilience coping with difficult weather conditions at Green Spaces work experience. Sewing pathways group working together making hessian bags for OTP.

Demeter:

Emily independently requesting walk and transitioning to the park in record time.

Nike:

Disha has done a great job transitioning back to school and using her communication.

Key Stage 1

Lions: We had extra food in our food topic this week as we enjoyed pancakes on Tuesday and 'flying' to India on Wednesday! There was lots of engagement when exploring the Indian art and food. In the free flow area there was orange and green rice representing the flag of India. This was a popular activity. Pupils were learning to share their space, interact with each other and develop their play.

Ethan

Lemurs: This week we have focused on food from America as well as celebrating Pancake Day! The students really enjoyed the sweet pancakes in compared to the savoury ones. In maths we have been enjoying shopping in our role play supermarket as well as doing some colour matching with different foods. We had an amazing mark making and write dance session, drawing pancakes and decorating them with different foods and even making faces out of them.

William

Izaak

Llamas: This week we have started our trip around the world during our new sensory story- Pancakes to Parathas. This week our plane journey took us to Mexico. We danced along to music, made flags and tasted different foods. In topic we have been exploring and naming fruit and in logic sorted coloured fruit and vegetables.

Olivia

Jacob
B

Tigers & Turtles Tigers and Turtles have had a lovely week developing lots of new friendships. In literacy, we learnt how to make a cup of decaf tea but didn't enjoy drinking it too much! In maths, we have been working on one more and one less, sharing objects into groups, and simple and column addition. In cooking we decorated pancakes for pancake day, and then made simple biscuits.

Jacob
K

Leopards: This week in Leopard class we have been all the way to India to investigate what foods they eat there; the poppadom and naan bread were a big hit with all of the children seeing lots of communication to make sure they all got "more!" In Funky finger Friday this week we have seen high engagement in the new fidget board and lots of persistence when presented with GF spaghetti to thread into colanders and cheese graters.

Jenson

Key Stage 2

Earth: This week we have had great fun learning all about shrove Tuesday and created some fantastic pancake creations in cookery. Good work following instructions and discussing and describing their creations. In Science we explored the lifecycle of a butterfly ordering and discussing the stages and creating some wonderful butterfly feeders which will be coming home in the next few weeks.

Bethany

Jupiter: This week we have continued our exploration of the rainforest, bugs and financial welfare. Our pupils have been working hard engage for longer periods of time, communicate verbally or with their PECS and have been exploring a large range of resources. They also loved making pancakes this week, choosing their toppings and expressing preferences.

Jesse

Saturn: In English this week we have continued watching the DVD 'A bug's life'. The students have made a musical instrument out of recycled products and then we had a band and played along to different songs. The students have also been working on their reading skills and were matching statements to pictures from the film. In maths they have been working on their subtraction skills. In geography we started to learn about the different layers of the rainforest and in science we went to the cemetery to help plant some trees with Hinckley and Bosworth Borough council. The students listened well to the instructions and Cameron said we need trees "because they are the earth's lungs."

Danielle

Neptune: This week we have continued to look after our sunflowers, some are huge!! We have continued with the challenge of using tally's, in maths, with everyone doing really well with their challenge on Thursday. Our minibeast hunt on Tuesday was brilliant, everyone worked really hard, its just a shame we only found 3 worms!! The fact files everyone made on Thursday were fabulous. World Book Day was amazing we had some fabulous costumes, thank you! We are progressing really well with our Red Nose Day Challenged, we have travelled 5 miles already, well done Neptune!!!

Alfie
M

Venus: In maths pupils developed their addition skills using different methods, some using counting objects, number lines and place value counters. In English pupils enjoyed the next scene of 'A Bugs Life' and used adjectives to describe some of the main characters. They then did sequencing the story using pictures. In Geography pupils made a rainforest in a jar by using different resources found in the playground and planting seeds. Well done Venus!

Ty

Keian

Key Stage 3

Athena: This week we have began our work on Macbeth and enjoyed delving further into the characters, we have worked on capacity in Maths. In RE we have been exploring baptism in the Christian religion and in humanities we have continued our work on the Tudors focusing on the Tudor monarchy this week. In PSHE we have been learning about budgeting through a sherborne story.

Ethan

Kites: Rain stopped play this week for our lunchtime football club! (It didn't stop the learning though!) Lots of practice finding fractions of shape and amounts in maths.

Exploration of space and the planets continues in Science and we've travelled North of the Border to find out what happens next in Macbeth. The students have decided that although Lady Macbeth might appear to be nice she really isn't! There has been lots of discussion about how she has influenced her husband to kill the King.

Keerthana

Apollo: This week in Science the class have continued to look at Space but specifically the Earth and the moon. Emma and Lillibeth created their own fact files on the Chromebook and shared their knowledge with the rest of the class. In English, pupils looked at the beginning scene of Macbeth and re-wrote the scene in their own words.

Max

Poseidon: This week we have been working on the play Macbeth in English. We have made witches potions, looked at the characters and we have done some descriptive work. In maths we have explored measurement through cooking. We have also looked at heavy and light by being human balancing scales. In communication we did some colourful semantics work around personal care Aidan did some excellent descriptive work! In RSE we went sightseeing around France and tried some French foods. Ishan loved the croissant and Daisy really enjoyed the brie. Another super week for Poseidon class!

Aidan

Owls: We have enjoyed looking more at the story of Macbeth this week focusing on the witches , describing what they look like and making potions just like them . In maths we have looked more at division in word problems and real life scenarios . Owls class also enjoyed using the cooking room to make pancakes this week in cooking and used all the equipment really well!

Libby

Olivia

Key Stage 4

Tegan

Atlas: An active start to the week with Swimming and PE in class on Monday morning. In the afternoon we revisited the tattoo sensory story. A trip across Britain and journey through time as we did our celebrities Sherborne, beginning to recall and consolidate facts in our Humanities lesson. In Computing we've learned about cause and effect and building on how we use data. Another musical lesson in RE as we went back to religious themes in modern music and thought about how they make us feel and what we can learn from them. We always enjoy getting messy in Art too, using different colours and methods as we look at the topic of pop art and celebrities.

Janus: This week we started the week with swimming and then in the afternoon we looked more at some of the famous people we have looked at in previous topics as well as King Richard 3rd, in Science we began looking at oxidation, in our first science lesson we put apples in different liquids to see the effects that it had on them, and in the second lesson we set up some nails in various liquids so that next week we can see the levels of rust that occur on them. In Art we looked at what different depictions of God and then drew what our own ideas of what God might look like

Kaydon

Iris & Zeus: We have had a much more settled week with the new base starting to feel like home - especially when the new classroom screens went up and we got them working! In English we have started a new theme looking at some of the characters in The Canterbury Tales while in humanities we are learning about the lives of famous people in the UK. In maths, students have been looking at 2D and 3D shapes and starting to think about the symmetry of those shapes. In cooking the blueberry muffins that Zeus made looked delicious - Iris' turn next Monday! Please could you send containers in to take the cakes home in.

Hercules: In History and in English groups 3&4, the students enjoyed acting out Chaucer's The Knight's Tale- complete with armour, horses etc! I'm PSHE, we explored gambling- and, using imaginary money, we found out that- fun as it may be, most people end up losing money. World Book Day was fun. We explored the classes favourite books, and enjoyed the costumes of those who dressed up!

Charley

Sam

Bradley

Joseph

Cleveland House: KS3- All our students really enjoyed making pancakes using different toppings, strawberries, lemon and sugar and Nutella. In PHSE our year 8 students started to learn about Online banking and in YR7 in science they started to explore Pollination and the causes.

KS4-There has been some excellent work by our students this week both in the Unit and in Inclusion lessons. Danni has completed 3 assessments and Jack has been asked by his English teacher if she can use his mock GCSE English exam as an example to the class of excellent work.

Our GCSE students are now planning their revision for the exams which start in May.

KS5- Harry had great start with his English tutor. Both Jake and Henry had a fantastic swimming session on Monday. Kyle had some really good mock A level exam results. Jake passed his level 1 functional in Maths and English and Kyle has been offered a conditional offer at DMU to study psychology.

Ellie
KS3

Danni
KS4

Grant

Key Stage 5

Demeter: This week has been yet another great week and we have seen some amazing work. We continued with our English story blood brothers and it was nice to see all young people getting involved. In Maths we looked at shapes with matching activities and saw some independent cutting skills. During our PSHE lesson we followed simple routines in order to get ready to go out to a party. Everyone loved the glow sticks. And During PE we practiced our badminton skills which was really fun. In all a great week for everyone.

Ben

Nike: This week, students continued exploring the book 'Blood Brothers'. Books are very beloved in our class, so World Book Day was a book hit. We listened to stories, made book marks, and talked about different book characters. In Maths, students continued looking at 2D shapes. Students enjoyed cooking pancakes for Shrove Tuesday and engaging in pancake races. Have a good weekend!

Disha

6th Form: Tahlia and Emma assisted with sorting hosiery into different patterns and categories at work experience. Chloe used a software programme to place a logo on a batch of aprons and packaged them. Btec students have been completing Assignment brief tasks in their various units and have been improving with working more independently and understanding the importance of deadlines.. Kyle is preparing for a mock interview next Monday and has been practising likely questions and creating a checklist to ensure the mock interview is successful. In Art and Design students are learning about different pop up cards and books. They have been making festival themed pop ups. DIY pathways group have been completing product orders, making items such as seed trays,candle holders,coasters and trays.

Jack
Kratos

Sorren
Triton

Kyle
Helios