

Dorothy Goodman School Parent Newsletter Friday 18th March 2022

From our headteacher: Some of Key Stage 1 took a trip to Tiny Town and really enjoyed exploring the role play. Bertie enjoyed dressing up as a firefighter whilst Vinnie took to the stage saying 'ladies and gentleman' before singing a Queen song. Laura chose to walk from the bus station rather than use her buggy and Zohaan explored the whole building. The rest of key stage 1 have the visit to look forward to next week. Mercury have been exploring plants in Science this week. Elliot enjoyed planting a bulb and the class were exploring the difference between hot and cold. In Lemurs Hashim really engaged with spaghetti and Frankie was showing progress by engaging with different objects and asking for 'more'.

The older pupils have been thinking about their next steps during annual reviews, reflecting on what will be important to them in the future. Brett wants to be able to drive a car and has been thinking about the benefits of an automatic car versus a manual car. Kailon was explaining how he would like to be a mechanic or a YouTuber at his annual review – but if possible he wants to do both things. Oliver's mum shared how his positive experiences at school of going to the stables has led to this becoming a regular part of his weekends and it was lovely to hear how pleased the family are at the progress that he has made. The BTEC work at the

Vocational 6th Form has really got pupils thinking about how learning links together. Callum was able to explain how his work cooking the lunches and taking part in the DIY group supported his understanding of health and safety. Joe gave examples of why numeracy was important in the workplace and Stephen was exploring colleges ready for some visits he was going to make. Kyle was responding to feedback about his interview techniques and thinking about how these could be developed, he had really taken on board the importance of body language as well as what he was saying to people.

Cassie-Jayne supported in class this week when there was a medical emergency, she found a pillow to help the person who was unwell and then supported the learning activities in the classroom by leading an activity that she was confident with. It was great to hear about her mature and calm approach to the situation and to see how her understanding of the learning happening in class helped her to take the lead.

Please continue to support with being careful when pupils are unwell. If your child has symptoms of Covid 19 or tests positive on a lateral flow they should still isolate. They can begin to take lateral flow tests from day 5 and once they have had 2 negative tests they can return to their usual daily routines. We appreciate your support with this as we seen an increased number of people needing to isolate over the past few weeks.





Date	Event	Location/Info
Thu 7th April	Parents Evening	Details below
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



LUNCHES



w/c 21st March 2022

Week 2 Menu

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

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.



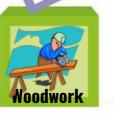
Booking will be live between 28th Mar & 4th Apr



Primary School Primary Students Richmond Students Redmoor Students

<u>Secondary School</u> Secondary Students

Vocational 6th Form
6th Form Students
(except Triton students)
HAJC base students



Have a drink and a biscuit whilst browsing the students work in the hall.

















CLASS REQUESTS/MESSAGES

TINY TOWN TRIP ON THURSDAY - LEMURS

PLEASE SEND IN PE KITS FOR MONDAY
TINY TOWN TRIP IS IN THE ZYTH. - TURTLES + TIGERS

SWIMMING KITS ARE NEEDED ON MONDAYS AND PE KITS ARE NEEDED ON FRIDAYS. - MERCURY

ATKINS BUILDING CAFE VISIT FRIDAY IST APRIL (SEND IN £) ASAP. COFFEE MORNING FOR SATURN/NEPTUNE PARENTS FRIDAY 8TH APRIL 9.45AM-11.45AM.

ONE OF OUR STUDENTS HAS LOST 3 JUMPERS SINCE THE START OF THE YEAR. IF YOU HAVE ANY AT HOME THAT AREN'T YOUR CHILDS, PLEASE CAN YOU RETURN THEM - SATURN + NEPTUNE

PLEASE BRING YOUR SWIM KIT ON A MONDAY .. - KITES

IRIS PUPILS TO BRING CONTAINERS FOR COOKING PLEASE. IT IS MACARONI CHEESE. - IRIS / ZEUS

IF ANYONE HAS AN OLD OR UNUSED FITNESS EQUIPMENT AT HOME, WE ARE TRYING TO DEVELOP OUR SESSIONS AT

OUR SECONDARY SITES AND WOULD LOVE ANY DONATIONS

YOU CAN SPARE. WE ARE LOOKING FOR

THINGS LIKE: RESISTANCE BANDS, YOGA MATS,

EXERCISE BALLS OR AEROBIC STEPS. - P.E.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO SEND STUDENTS
IN WITH A (LABELLED) PE KIT - PE

This week in Pictures!

























Tree Update: Not only do we have lots of buds but we also have some tiny leaves forming on our trees. The HAJC Duke of Edinburgh group have been very busy putting the plastic cylinders around them to protect them this week. They are looking good.













PE, School Sport and Physical Activity

<u>Highlight of the week:</u> This week is our first football fixture for over 2 year and it's been really exciting to welcome Fusion Academy to the Barwell Lane site for the match. Full match report will follow next week.

- We had a smaller group than usual this week but continued to develop our fundamental movement skills in our circuit of gymnastics equipment.
- We have continued to develop our coordination with equipment this week. This week we applied our skills in some new games, involving striking a moving ball.
- Enjoyed tennis this week, with a focus on game play and it's been great to see so much engagement from the students.
- This week we really focused on applying our skills within a game and it was great to see this application of learning so clearly.
- Continued working toward our personalised fitness targets. The running group is making real progress now in confidence and resilience, whilst the circuits group is really getting stronger.

Primary
Theo for his confidence in swimming.

Secondary
Erin for taking
part in a large
group game
really well.

KS₁

Llamas:

Trip to Tiny Town

Lemurs:

During a sensory room session this week every child was hugely engaged and full of smiles, it was lovely to see all the independent interactions between the class.

Lions:

Our visit to Tiny Town

Tigers & Turtles:

Doing St Patrick's Day activities

KS₂

Great work in science exploring the life cycle of a bird all followed instructions well and created some wonderful bird feeders to attract the birds into their gardens

Mars:

Earth:

good engagement during art, painting the butterfly's

Mercury:

We loved cooking worm mud cakes!

Neptune:

Visiting the Canopy Layer of the Rainforest!!

Saturn:

Mr Raynor letting us borrow his stick insects and seeing the students reactions. Some loved it and some ran off screaming.

Venus:

Children loved getting covered in powder paint for Holi Festival.

Cleveland House: HAJC Diversity workshop which all our KS 3 and KS4 students attended. KS

Iris & Zeus

Alfie achieving 100 marbles!

Highlights of the week

KS 3
Apollo:

Exploring the turntables in their last session of the program.

Athena:

Thursday afternoon communication games session, all of Athena class were engaged for 45 minutes doing different activities and games with their peers. Well done Athena!

Kites:

Recreating Banquo's ghost haunting Macbeth at the banquet.

Owl:

Using fake 'blood' in cooking to create creepy cupcakes

KS 4

Atlas:

Danish did amazingly well walking independently at the hydropool, enjoying his freedom and exploring freely!

Hera:

Creating our pop art advertising in the style of Andy Warhol

Hercules:

Science experiments research

Janus:

A change of lesson to PSHE instead of art where we did a logo quiz the students all enjoyed.

KS 5

Kieran and Cole demonstrating hard work and a positive attitude at Green Spaces work experience.

Lucas joining with gardening pathways and engaging with activities.

Demeter:

6th Form:

Aya showing some great makaton skills and communicating with peers

Nike:

Ellie continues to be an extremely hard worker and has increased her independence and confidence loads this term!

Key Stage 1

Lions: Everyone thoroughly enjoyed our time at Tiny Town yesterday. The pupils boarded the bus and took the short walk to Tiny Town so perfectly. We then enjoyed eating our dinner before our afternoon of play. Everyone explored the different areas; some just got stuck in, independently exploring the areas and floors, whilst others showed a bit of apprehension before growing in confidence and making their way to the final floor! We were so proud of our Lions. They were a credit to the school. Back in school Joshua was very vocal (shouting over Courtney) as he joined in with a sensory story about the forest. He also showed a love of the Moana soundtrack he had a beaming smile throughout.

Whole Class

Llamas: This week we have continued with our journey around the world. This week we landed in Jamaica. We made our own steel band and tasted Jamaican food. The ginger cake was the most popular! We made pizzas in topic and had a choice of toppingspineapple or tomato and in maths engaged in number songs and counting.

Lemurs: We have had a really fun week in
Lemurs, this week we have been focussing on
food from Netherlands which consisted of lots
of sweet foods such as sprinkles, chocolate
spread, waffles and honey, which has gone
down very well in class! We had an amazing
time in the sensory room on Thursday
afternoon and all the students were happy,
excited and interacting with one another. In
maths we have been working on recognising
our colours and doing some pattern work as
well as continuing our role play shop.

Charlie

Tigers & Turtles Tigers and Turtles have engaged well with our sensory story in Literacy this week, learning all about Chinese cuisine and making their own ham and rice sushi. In Maths we have been sharing, using column addition and doing one more and one less. We learnt about St Patrick's Day this week, making shamrock Rice Krispie cakes and doing shamrock painting.

Whole Class

Jacob

Mia

<u>Earth:</u>This week in Earth the children have really worked hard in Art creating butterflies. Mixing primary colors to create secondary colours to print exploring lines of symmetry.

In cookery we followed our recipe and verbal instruction to make our flapjacks and recalled the safety measure when using certain equipment in the kitchen. There has been lovely shared play during sensory breaks this week the children have been fantastic sharing and helping each other-Well Done!

William

Mars: This week in mars we have continued to explore the life cycle and plant growth. In English we have been on a trip to the jungle and we seen lots of different animals, the children really enjoyed eating the jelly snakes'. we seen some good engagement and turn taking during cooking while children were waiting to use the toaster.

Joshua

Ashton

Saturn: In maths the students have been working hard on developing their multiplication and repeat addition knowledge. Lots of them can work out the answers using mental maths, but we have been testing their skills of showing how to work it out by using objects. In English we have had the story 'The Cautious caterpillar' and they have been working on their reading skills by matching the caterpillar to the correct butterfly. In geography this week we were learning about the different types of animals that live in the canopy layer.

Oscar

Key Stage 2

Neptune: This week in Neptune we have enjoyed discovering about Holi Day. We rein acted the story of Holika and Prahlad and enjoyed celebrating with KS2 in the Ball court. Swimming was fabulous, again! In English we continued to watch 'A Bug's life' and explore persuasive language, and in maths we continued counting with the part part whole model. Our class Rainforest has now been created with lots of different animals and insects crawling over it. The class caterpillars are growing, they will soon be ready to move into the chrysalis stage.

Mercury: In science this week we started a new topic looking at plants and how they grow. We enjoyed planting sunflower seeds and describing what a plant looks like. In Maths we have reinforced our counting skills through a sensory massage. During English we have acted out different parts of the bugs life movie to help us to remember the order. It was great to see some of the children really come to life! We definitely had some Oscar worthy performances!

Kara

Elliot

<u>Venus:</u> In science this week pupils enjoyed learning about life cycles. We focused on the caterpillars transforming into butterflies. In English pupils created a storyboard to recap the main events from 'A bugs life'. In maths pupils have been independently applying methods they are familiar with to solve addition and subtraction sums. In Geography the children loved our 'Monkey Puzzle' sensory story! For RE children got colorful to celebrate Holi Festival. Well done Venus!

Bridget

Key Stage 3

Kites: We have been very busy practicing finding fractions of amounts in maths. We have explored moral dilemmas in English and created a "conscience alley" to think about whether Macbeth was right to kill his friend Banquo. In science we investigated the phases of the moon.

Harley

Beth

Owls: This week in owls we have continued to look at Macbeth doing amazing descriptive writing around the murder of the king- the class really enjoyed squeezing tomatoes in their hands and describing what it feels like - pretending it's a heart! In maths we have continued to look at place value using the equipment to help answer the questions and work independently. In cooking we stayed on the theme of Macbeth and made spooky cakes decorating them like eyeballs everyone was really engaged in this and loved showing off their designs

Apollo: In English this week, pupils learnt the difference between informal and formal letters and the correct language to use in each one. In cooking this week, pupils worked together in small groups to make their own blueberry muffins (fingers crossed some of them made their way home to share with family and friends). On Friday afternoon some pupils took part in a football match against Fusion School.

All pupils should be very proud of how they conducted themselves: a great experience for

Emma

Athena: We have had a lovely week doing lots of hard work in English on Macbeth! We have also been doing work on our communication skills with peers, this has been very positive. A very good week for our class.

Elliot

Alfie

Amber

Ryan

<u>Iris & Zerus:</u> Another week that has flown by! Most pupils attended a diversity workshop that was lead by, and attended by, all HAJC students. We had probably already covered most of this topic but it was good to hear that all students were being given the same message. In humanities this week we have watched the story of Billy Monger, a true inspiration to us all! In maths, pupils have been doing more assessments and some have done exceptionally well but all try really hard so well done everyone. A big shout out to Alfie who is the first student to achieve 100 marbles this academic year. This is a great achievement - well done Alfie!

Janus: This week it was good to see almost all the class swimming on Monday, then Tuesday we looked more at our topic of reactions the students were really good at identifying elements and compounds and how many atoms there were in each. The students are really coming along with the turntables and even had a turntable "battle" where they took in turns playing the beats/scratches, in PSHE we were looking at how businesses build an identifiable brand with which everyone engaged really well in a logo quiz, the CYP could identify most of

Kaydone

Hercules: In RSE we looked at places to go on a daytrip/date. In Science, we looked at videos of experiments we could do at school, and scaled up versions. In RE, we explored St. Patrick's Day. In Art, we designed our own trainers.

Many of the class have been looking forwards to Friday's football match.

the logos pretty well!

Key Stage 4

chemical reactions in Science with some students using some fantastic vocabulary to explain the reactions and make predictions. We've been to Las Vegas again in Maths, exploring the sights, sounds and experiences. The group have been playing dice games, making predictions, revisiting money and enjoying the sensory elements such as shaking mocktails & tasting, exchanging American dollars for a turn on the roulette and having a glow stick disco whilst watching the Cirque du Soleil. In, RSE we have continued to explore tattoos through sensory stories and discussing the advantages and disadvantages to having a tattoo.

Atlas: We've continued exploring

Danish

Cleveland House: KS5- Henry and Jake made a delicious pasta dish which went down a treat! Jake did some fantastic work in a multi skills course. Grant had a outstanding result scoring a 9 in his chemistry assessment. KS4- Hugh had some great feedback from his History teacher. Kyle and Jack completed a English assessment. All of our pupils who are sitting their GCSE exams have received there exam timetable, only 6 weeks to go!!. Kyle and George attended the Diversity workshop which they found very interesting. Key stage 3- YR 7 pupils were using Tinkercad in engineering and in science were completing assessments. YR8 students were learning about Inequalities in maths and in geography were studying Biomes. All of our KS3 students attended the HAJC Diversity workshop.

Josh

Carter Hugh Jake
KS3 KS4 KS 5

Key Stage 5

6th Form: Sports pathway students have been demonstrating great teamwork and planning skills considering how to deliver and run a sports activity. DIY pathway group have been really conscientious working hard to complete product orders and are beginning to look at future projects. Arts and Design students have completed pop up cards choosing different themes. The Duke of Edinburgh students have been progressing with skills needed to complete the award and have practised putting together camping cooking equipment. The couch to 5k group have increased their running time and improved fitness levels. In English students have been learning about differences with mental health treatment from 1800's to modern day.

Josh Lucas Alex Kratos Triton Helios

Demeter: This week in Demeter we have been continuing with our Maths and English stories and it's been great to see all learners engaged. In RSE we looked at routines and took a virtual trip to a nightclub with Ollie being the bar man. He did a fab job of pouring drinks. In art we dressed up in medieval costumes and designed our own shields ready for battle. In PE the whole key stage loved practicing their ball skills and it was nice to see everyone smiling even Sharney! The weather has been lovely too so we even had a group visit the park! Well done everyone.

Aya

Nike: Students enjoyed watching the football match on Cruyff Court versus Fusion Academy. Students also enjoyed St. Patrick's Day themed activities included making Shamrock Shakes. Jacket potatoes (and their toppings) were big hits in the cooking pathways. At the stables, there was loads of independence including Kieran mucking out two stables and Robert independently brushing Lulu. Have a good weekend.

Ellie

Have a good weekend.