

Dorothy Goodman School Parent Newsletter

Friday 1st April 2022

<u>From our headteacher:</u> Yesterday the government announced that lateral flow testing in special schools will stop from today. As a result we are unable to provide lateral flow testing kits. It is important that you follow the guidance from health which can be found on the NHS website <u>here</u>. If you child has Covid 19 symptoms please follow the guidance and keep them away from school. We have continued to see a number of cases within the school community and following the guidance will keep us all safe. Thank you for your support with this.

This week it has been lovely to hear about the independent cooking skills that Zeus are developing. Phoebe was very clear about using the red chopping boards for meat and the green chopping boards for vegetables and Alexis explained how important it was to use different boards to avoid contamination. At Primary Laith has really developed his engagement and as a result his independent writing skills have developed. Arthur used his symbols to request raisins during snack time – he made his request to an adult who was visiting the classroom and enjoyed tucking in once the raisins were at the table. Owls and Kites class have had new screens this week. Callum showed some really good skills at building the bases and putting the screens together. He preserved and worked out how to put the wheels on and when one wheel was a bit more of a challenge the adult helping had to find a different tool. The pupils worked really well together and asked lots of good questions. Walter did a superb job of using his symbols to identify his feelings when things changed in school this week and he then managed to work with different people. Apollo were really engaged in their drama work about Macbeth – they were exploring key words and different drama techniques to show their understanding of the story. Seb really liked the blood and kept dipping his hands in to explore the texture.

Max used the crown to play King Duncan and did some excellent mirroring work with Danielle where he allowed her to take the lead. Whilst I was in the lesson Abi was watching but was more reluctant to interact but fortunately the class captured on video her joining in with her peers to perform actions from the story.

I had the pleasure of joining the Key Stage 4 Celebration Assembly this morning where the pupils shared work that they are proud of. Josh explained how he had designed shoes that sang 'Staying Alive' to you to help with CPR, Erlend shared the mask that he had designed to scare people and Manav talked about the Science experiment where they had made glow sticks. Olivia shared the work that she had done in English and Amelia showed her art work although the annotation was clear that she had enjoyed painting the adult more. Lots of the pupils shared work that they were proud of and it was great to see how confident they are with their peers.





Have a lovely weekend.

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 4th April 2022

Week 1 Menu



YES PLEASE

Please can we remind you that we are a healthy eating school and children should <u>not</u> be bringing in fizzy drinks.

Thank you





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.

Parents Evening - Thursday 7th April - 3:30pm - 7:30pm

Booking will be live until 8am on Monday 4th April



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 There are also appointments to see our Health, Communication, Intervention and Pastoral Team:

Jo-Ann & Joanne for Primary, Richmond & Redmoor based students

Kay & Georgina for Secondary, HAJC and Vocational 6th Form based students

These appointments are for any concerns/queries regarding health, communication, behaviour and are <u>not</u> for any academic discussions



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



















Sing a Song: Musical Zooms

Our Zoom sessions are suitable for young people with a wide range of disabilities.

sessions last around 30 minutes

During the Easter holidays, we will be offering free interactive

Zoom sessions for small groups over three days. The sessions

will include a mixture of storytelling and music.

Times available:

11.30am,

12.30pm,

2.30pm

3.30pm.

The set up will be relaxed and informal; there'll be an opportunity to chat, followed by storytelling, songs and music.

Dates: 16th, 20th & 22nd April 30 minute Zoom sessions for families Limited FREE places!

To book on please fill in a booking form here visit our website and scroll to the bottom, clicking the booking form link: Sing a Song: Musical Zooms for Families - Now Booking! - Bamboozle Theatre

WENEED





Active Hinckley and Bosworth are looking for local individuals to form a steering group to influence the inclusive activity offer in our borough. We are particuarly looking for disabled people, their parents / carers and local disability activity providers to join our team.

These people will:

- Tell their story
- Work together to create new inclusive activities and projects
- Support inclusive club development
- Get training
- Be a voice for our community

We are looking for around 20 members to form a diverse group

If you are interested in being part of this group and would like to apply, please register interest by emailing:

Jess.Hazell@hinckley-bosworth.gov.uk



FANTASTIC FOXES Inclusion event

SUNDAY 3rd APRIL 10AM-2PM
@ Ellesmere College, LE3 2FD TREE STILL



THIS INCLUSIVE EVENT OFFERS A RANGE OF ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE WITH SEND - SIBLINGS ARE ALSO WELCOME

ACTIVITIES INCLUDE

- SPORTS
- Music workshop
- SENSORY PLAY
- WELLBEING
- EASTER EGG HUNT
- AND MUCH MORE...

REFRESHMENTS WILL BE AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE AND PROCEEDS RAISED WILL BE DONATED TO THE BODIE HODGES FOUNDATION

SIGN UP HERE OR TURN UP ON THE DAY



SCAN ME

FOR MORE INFO PLEASE CONTACT

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CLASS REQUESTS/MESSAGES

SWIMMING EVERY MONDAY - LIONS

COFFEE MORNING FRIDAY 8TH APRIL
DONATIONS OF CAKES WELCOME.
THERE WILL BE STALLS AND ENTERTAINMENT.
- SATURN 4 NEPTUNE

HERA CLASS WILL BE SWIMMING ON MONDAYS AFTER EASTER SO PLEASE CAN THEY BRING IN THEIR SWIMMING KITS. THANK YOU - HERA

PLEASE BRING MONEY FOR THE CAFE FOR A DRINK ON MONDAY. - VOCATIONAL 6TH FORM

PLEASE CAN WE ASK THAT YOU SEND IN A PE KIT THAT

IS APPROPRIATE FOR THE WEATHER, IF YOU HAVEN'T

DONE SO ALREADY, AND DRINKS FOR YOUR YOUNG

PEOPLE PLEASE. WE HOPE TO BE OUTSIDE FOR MORE OF

OUR PE SESSIONS AND NEED TO MAKE SURE WE ARE

STAYING HYDRATED AND HAVE A CHANGE OF

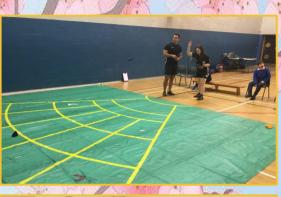
CLOTHES BEFORE AND AFTER PE. - P.E

CAN ANYONE LEND US ANY SWIMMING NOODLES PLEASE FOR THE 8TH APRIL? -ZEUS + IRIS















This week in Pictures!













PE, School Sport and Physical Activity

Highlight of the week: This week has seemed like a quiet one after all of the recent events, but it has been really nice to see all of the progress being made by the students. In particular, the sports leaders KS4 group have shown that they are developing and have growing confidence to be stepping up and leading the groups that they are part of.

- Demonstrated core movement skills through a gymnastics circuit. Students enjoyed jumping and moving in their own ways.
- Saturn and Neptune took over the PE lesson this week, by creating their own games. Mr

 KS 2 Roadley threw out lots of challenges by changing the rules and equipment, but they adapted really well.
- Mixed it up a little this week, to demonstrate their Badminton skills. The students enjoyed the change and showed good transfer of their skills across the sports.
- We extended our shooting skills this week and continued to work on skills within a game.

 There was also a really engaging carousel of skills for a second group who were showing brilliant independence.
- We mixed up our circuit training with extra sets and a different routine. There were some sore limbs afterwards but the students can be really proud of their application and the progress made across the term.



Secondary
Erin for coping
well in a difficult
PE lesson.

KS₁ lots of interesting discussions in topic looking at chickens and Llamas: eggs and how eggs change when they are cooked. The students interacting and playing during the role play Lemurs: activities Our fantastic music and drama session, the Leopards were all engaged for the whole session, Leopards: they were so enthusiastic at beating the large drum to make all the fruit run away! Swimming on Monday AM. All the pupils did really well getting to swimming on Monday morning. A real achievement, Lions: and some huge levels of independence are on display. Well done Lions class! Tigers & Making dens in the forest Turtles: KS₂ Independence and engagement Earth: during sensory story One of our cocoons became a Mars: butterfly! We loved making spider balls in Mercury: cooking. There has been too many to chose 1!! Our butterflies have Neptune: hatched, we had an amazing visit to Atkins and we reached our 50 miles goal! An insect hunt in the woods, Saturn: linked to our science topic

This week pupils really enjoyed

using the computer to create

rainforest art in ICT.

Venus:

Highlights of the week

KS 3
Apollo:

Our creative Thursday where everyone participated in Lady Macbeth's soliloquy.

Athena:

Our RSE lesson focusing on our wellbeing.

Kites:

Creating artwork linked to Macbeth

Poseidon:

Our communication cafe lesson this

week

Owl:

Doing some DIY to build stands

KS 4

Atlas:

Science on Thursday afternoon, the whole class loved the lesson and they were all engaged! Well done Atlas class.

Hera:

Dissolving our homemade bath bombs for our Science experiment

Hercules:

Making shortbread

Janus:

Some brilliant images made in art.

KS₅

6th Form:

The continued support of peers and friendship groups with the Sixth form

Demeter:

Ben having a successful trip to Burbage common

Nike:

Chloe has done an excellent job this week using her talker to navigate different social situations in the classroom. Chloe is a hard worker and always tries her best!

Cleveland House:

Jake and Bradley visiting Hinckley College to see what courses are available next year.

Iris & Zeus Our couch to 5K runners achieving getting up to 7 minutes running time!

Key Stage 1

<u>Lions:</u> A busy and productive week for Lions class, the children have been working hard on learning about England this week, trying some classic British foods such as Beans on Toast, Angel Delight, Custard and Weetabix.

Another highlight; we had a great time flying around the world in our sensory story, revisiting all of the countries we have learnt about so far, lots of fun was had especially as our plane took off and hit an awful lot of turbulence!

Alex

Llamas: This week we have finished our story- Pancakes to Parathas- We landed back in the United Kingdom and sampled breakfast cereals. In maths we have been counting out sets of objects and comparing which has more and less and thinking about different ways we can make five. Lots of excitement yesterday when we had a brief covering of snow.

Bowie

Lemurs: We have been exploring food from

Jamaica and being able to say if we like or

dislike new foods. We have done role play and

shops. We all did PE and the kids were

amazing. Also had lots of fun in the music hut.

Yuvraj

Leopards: This week we flew to Israel, the
Leopards enjoyed collecting their tickets and
boarding the plane. When we arrived we tried
lots of different foods, the tomato crisps being
the biggest hit!

Laura

Tigers & Turtles Tigers and Turtles engaged with our sensory story this week, recapping all of the countries that we have been to and exploring lots of different food. We have done super one more and one less work in maths, and some of us have been doing column addition. We loved exploring the forest, making den, drawing pictures of bugs and playing turn taking games.

Harry

Oliver

Earth: This week in Earth class we have continued to explore life cycles in science and explore the lifecycle of a plant. The children enjoyed potting their seeds to take home and looked at the importance of what plants need to grow. In Art we created some lovely Easter crafts continuing to look at our primary and secondary colours and getting creative making our Easter Egg heads. In Enalish we had a fantastic write dance session working our our gross motor and fine motor making marks and forming our letters

Elsa

George

Walter

Lacey

Mercury: In English, we have enjoyed watching some more bugs life then matching sentences to pictures. Swimming was great this week and its great to see all of the children continue to make small progress with this. In science we continued to look at plants. This week we focused on seed dispersal and Theo was fantastic at explaining how seeds can travel in water.

Venus: In math's pupils have began applying their number knowledge to word problems and real life scenarios. In English the children designed a pretend bird 'to scare away the grasshoppers'. They then used junk modeling resources to create their bird. The children were able to describe their bird using symbols, their voice or a written sentence. In geography pupils were able to research and discuss which animals live in the emergent layer of the rainforest.

Sarah

Well done Venus!

Finlay

<u>Key Stage 2</u>

Neptune: This week in Cultural studies we continued to investigate the Hindu Gods by learning more about the God Shiva. In English we explored using conjunctions in our work and in maths we continued adding with the number line and part, part whole model. During our science lesson this we we visited the Richmond pond and saw lots of tadpoles and frogspawn, but we couldn't find the frogs. In geography this we we learnt about the devastating effects of deforestation, to which our rainforest got chopped down!!!! We had a fabulous visit to the Atkins café on Friday, everyone had a fabulous time! Our caterpillars have now become beautiful butterflies yay!.

Saturn: In English we have had the story 'A Bug's Trip'. We have been learning about prepositional language about where the bug is in relation to the different animals. In geography we were learning about the forest floor and the students used chromebooks to research the different animals that live there. Our rainforest is now looking great with all the different animals on it. In science we were learning about minibeasts and went on a minibeast hunt in the wooded area of the field.

Cameron

Mars: We have been super excited to see one of our cocoons turn into a butterfly! We have been watching it fly around the enclosure and eating the orange juice and then we finally set it free yesterday. We have been enjoying our daily attention bucket sessions and we are doing really well at concentrating for longer periods of time. It was very exciting yesterday to find a whoopee cushion in the bucket! Lots of laughter and smiles all round

Oscar

Key Stage 3

Harrison

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Owls: This week in Owls we have continued our topic on Macbeth focusing on descriptive writing, poems and drama in maths the class independently cooked on Tuesday following a recipe the rest of the week we made mocktails using our knowledge of fractions and consolidated some of our addition, subtraction and multiplication skills . In science we used spaghetti paint brushes to create solar system art , used cornflour to make moon craters and researched famous astronauts.

Callum

Apollo: In English this week the pupils have worked hard on creating their Lady Macbeth soliloquies which they then performed in Drama. In Art this week, pupils created art pieces based on words that reflected Macbeth: regret/power/royal/mystery.

Emma, Lillibeth and Alexie worked independently on creating very moody and atmospheric pieces whilst Max and Seb enjoyed re-creating Lady Macbeth's red hands with red paint.

Kites: We have been consolidating our maths skills and writing our own tragedy taking inspiration from Macbeth. In art we have created some individual pieces of art based on Macbeth. Hot drinks were in order after playing outside in the snow so, in PSHE, we practised some life skills and made tea.

Athena: This week we have continued our work on Macbeth and have enjoyed exploring the character roles a little more. We have continued our work on measure in maths and followed a recipe to make playdough and smoothies. In RE we have looked at the 10 commandments and thought about the rules that we follow in our own lives. We have had great PE lessons this week developing our throwing and catching skills and the skills that we need to play with our peers.

Alex

Poseidon: This week Poseidon have been working really hard! In English we have been exploring Macbeth through colourful semantics, character descriptions and write dances. In Maths we have been looking at measurement through cooking and exploring capacity. In RSE we visited America and liked at different landscapes and tried American food.

Janus: Monday afternoon we continued our humanities work on celebrities throughout time, students did a fact file of the modern celebrities they're interested in and there was quite a range of different people explored. In our science lesson we looked at exothermic and endothermic reactions and the CYP really picked up on what each one was and also enjoyed looking at a couple of the different reactions within class. In R.E/Art we continued looking at pop art through God imagery, students

used pixlr on the computers really well to make their

own pop art images.

Hercules: In PSHE we looked at using persuasive language, in our Dragon's Den themed lesson. In English, groups 3 & 4 are looking at medieval banquets and recipes, linked to our story of The Knight's Tale. In science, we have been continuing to look at acids, alkalis and metals, with Tom giving presentations to the class, on his work. The class enjoyed the crazy weather on Thursday, with many braving the weather to have a game of snowy football!

Key Stage 4

Atlas: Atlas class this week have done some fab work in Humanities this week doing a sherborne session all together. Science on Thursday afternoon was also a really positive session working together as a team doing different experiments.

PE was fun for all of the students in our class, they all really enjoyed it.

Jamie

Noah

Lewis

Hera: Hera have enjoyed Curling this week and are working are on making sure they get the stones into the house. In Science we dissolved our homemade bath bombs that we made last week in different temperatures of water and timing how long they took. In Art we have continued our creative advertising work in the style of Roy Lichtenstein. The class have really been enjoying our weekly floor yoga and weekly chair yoga sessions and following directions well.

Toby

Thomas

Jack

Zeus & Iris: Another very quick week! In English we have been getting to know our final character from the Canterbury Tales - The Pardoner - a bit of a fraudster and a con man! In maths there has been some serious maths assessments taking place but also lots of fun stuff with sandwich making to help understand halves and quarters. As part of Moving On Week activities, Zeus had a lovely day out at Leicester racecourse, learning a great deal about how businesses like these operate. Iris will have their activity in June. Next week there will be the judging of our Easter Egg Design competition which we have been working on in PSHE lessons.

Key Stage 5

6th Form: The cooking groups continue to work hard and have produced some lovely meals. The new menu has been chosen by the young people for next term. The Duke of Edinburgh silver are practising and planning for the practice walk next week, shopping for their food and finalising plans. Gardening pathway were busy sweeping the bungalow garden paths and it looks lovely. The sewing group made a display to showcase their work. Monday swimming and PE groups enjoyed being out and about in the sunshine, going to Greggs and Queens Park.

Callum Cole Nyah
Kratos Triton Helios

Nike: This week, students started to learn about the Easter holiday. Students read the story of Easter and sequenced key parts. Students also continued looking at shapes in Maths and Blood Brothers in English. Students in cooking made loaded wedges and party food for the keystage on Friday. In PE, students played group games and then wound down with a bit of yoga and Sherbourne. Have a great weekend.

Nike: This week has been very eventful with lots of great learning targets being achieved. We continued our story with blood brothers in English and looking at shapes in Maths. During our PSHE we enjoyed our club night session and the young people were really good at saying please to 'get in'. We've had lots of successful trips to the park and enjoyed watching the snow.

Have a great weekend.

Ben

Cleveland House: KS5-Grant is planning and preparing for his forthcoming mock exams. Alex has been working hard on his physics coursework. Kyle has been working hard on his criminology exam this week and continuing next week. Jake and Bradley enjoyed their visit to Hinckley college.KS4- Rubi and Danni are preparing for their forthcoming GCSE Mock exams which take place straight after the Easter holidays. Hugh continued his great Math's work at the HAJC Base. Jack is making great progress in his Art GCSE which will be completed in May.KS3- Our students in YR7 in PE have moved on to their Summer sport(note-that doesn't apply this week!!!!) and have started relay racing. In History they are learning about castles and how they have developed.

Kyle KS4

Have a good weekend.

Danni KS 5