



Dorothy Goodman School Parent Newsletter

Friday 29th April 2022

From our headteacher: At the start of the week Julie and I enjoyed joining Hera Class who were sharing their holiday news. Kaydon shared that he had been to the fair 3 times and had a big breakfast at a pub but more importantly that his family had welcomed his new sister – it was lovely to be able to congratulate him. Amy shared the diary that she had kept over the holiday whilst visiting France – she told us all about her time at the beach and how she enjoyed having chocolate eggs for lunch!

Monday saw some of the Key Stage 1 pupils go for their first swim this term. Katie caught up with them when they got back to school. Lily didn't dive in like she said that she was going to and Simon communicated that he had really enjoyed the swim. Savannah joined Tigers class this week and I caught up with her on Thursday morning – she told me that she had really liked going to soft play and we talked about the work that she had been doing in PE. Savannah was very confident and told me that she liked her new class.

In Key Stage 2 Luke returned to school and explained to Katie how all his gel had fallen out but that he was going to put some more on in the morning. He looked really cool. Isabelle was really engaged with exploring the weather as part of the work that the class had started on Cloudy With A Chance of Meatballs. She was enjoying exploring the snow and explained how cold the winter was. Jennifer was trying on the different clothes linked to winter and decided to keep the hat on for the rest of the lesson. Olly and Kaspar were working well with each other during Sherborne. Olly really enjoyed Kaspar stroking his arms and reached out for more, Kaspar showed Victoria who was working with him where he wanted her to pat and really enjoyed the interaction on his arms. Jesse and Tye really enjoyed the patting motion and used their more and stop symbols during the interactions.

Over at Redmoor Aaryan did really well at choosing describing words for the picture that he was exploring as part of his English work. He described the clothes that the character was wearing and the animal sitting on his shoulder. Brandon used his working towards really well to achieve his Chromebook – thinking about what the key words meant to him and explaining this to Mrs Smith. Callum explained the challenges that they had faced when making rocky road as there was no microwave in the kitchen but fortunately they had managed to borrow one.

We have had a really positive start to the term and it has been great to see everyone so engaged in learning. Have lovely bank holiday weekend



Date	Event	Location/Info
Mon 2nd May	Bank Holiday	School Closed
Mon 30th May - Fri 3rd June	Half Term	School Closed
Thur 7th July	Last Day of School for Summer	

Notices

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Please can we ask you to check the ingredients of your child's sun cream before you send it into school.

We have been advised that a very popular brand has started making theirs with Almond Oil.



As we are a nut free school, please **DO NOT** send any sun cream in which has nut oils listed in its ingredients.

Thank you.

w/c 3rd May 2022

Week 2 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.

Vocational 6th Form Woodwork Shop

Practice tying your shoelaces. £1.00

Small singular candle holders. £2.00

Wooden blackboard heart £3.00

Half Moon candle holders. £3.00

Seed trays £3.00

Small drinks tray £5.00

Outdoors Drinks Coasters £5.00

Large drinks tray £8.00

BBQ containers – ideal for sauce bottles/drinks/cutlery £8.00

BBQ bottle drinks opener £10.00

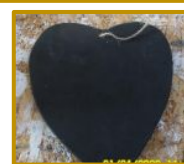
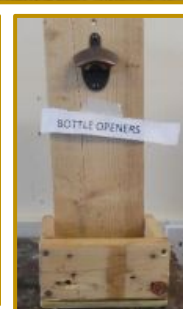
Bird boxes (painted or unpainted) £12.00

Blackboards (with or without a pencil holder) £12

We will also be making planters soon

If you would like to order anything please complete the order form out below.

[Order Form](#)



Notices



Sat, 25 June 2022

10:00 – 14:00

**Holme Pierrepont
Country Park,
Nottingham**

This event is aimed at everyone. And we mean everyone!

The event will enable disabled and non-disabled people to come together in a celebration of physical activity. Whether you're running a 1 mile or 5k for the first time, pulling out all the stops in fancy dress or going the distance with a running frame, wheelchair or crutches—you are welcome to run 'your way' with Rich and be part of something very special.

Please note anyone aged 16 years of age or under must take part alongside a responsible adult (over the age of 18).

[Whitehead Foundation](#)



SEND reforms

Leicestershire local offer
accessibility strategy

[Leicestershire SEND local offer](#)

[YouTube video of Leicestershire local offer](#)



**Sport in Desford and Desford Tennis Club
Learning Disability Inclusive Tennis Session**

For ages 6-16

Every Thursday from Thursday 5th May 2022

18:00 to 19:00 all equipment is provided

**Sport in Desford
The Flying Fields
Peckleton Lane
Desford
Leicester
LE9 9JU**

£2.00 per session with sibling discount available

Make new friends and have fun- just come along

**For more information contact Matt at
mchilvers138@gmail.com**



Get your Covid jab in Hinckley!

Walk in jabs available at: **Hinckley Leisure Centre**

all adults plus children aged 5+

Wednesday, Thursday & Fridays

each week during May

from 12noon to 7pm for 16+

from 3:15pm to 7pm for 5+

No appointment necessary

Pfizer only - 1st, 2nd, 3rd and booster jabs if due

Please have your NHS number handy if possible

- Children aged 5+ attending will be offered a single dose of the Pfizer vaccine and must be accompanied by parents or guardians so consent can be obtained.
- Children aged 5+ will have to wait 12 weeks after testing positive for Covid before they can have the vaccine. Adults need to wait 28 days after testing positive.
- 12 weeks between doses for 5 to 17 year olds and 8 weeks for adults.

CLASS REQUESTS/MESSAGES

ANY OLD SUN HATS AND SUNGLASSES COULD YOU PLEASE SEND
INTO EARTH CLASS. - EARTH

PE KITS ARE NEEDED MONDAY AND FRIDAY. - MERCURY

STUDENTS WHO ARE GOING TO PGL - CAN YOU LET ME KNOW
HOW MANY MEDICAL FORMS YOU NEED. YOU NEED ONE FORM
PER MEDICATION. LET MISS CLARA OR MRS SMITH KNOW. IF
YOU HAVE FORMS, CAN YOU RETURN THEM TO SCHOOL ASAP. -
SATURN + NEPTUNE

PLEASE SEND IN PE KITS IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO.
- SATURN + NEPTUNE


IF THERE ARE ANY PARENTS/CARERS THAT WOULD BE WILLING
TO MAKE SOME APRONS FOR USE IN COOKERY SESSIONS THEN
TO LET MRS SMITH KNOW AND I CAN GET SOME MATERIAL TO
THEM - SATURN + NEPTUNE

WE ARE SWIMMING THIS TERM, PLEASE REMEMBER TO
SEND YOUR CHILD IN WITH A SWIM KIT EVERY MONDAY.
(EXCEPT THIS MONDAY AS IT IS BANK HOLIDAY)

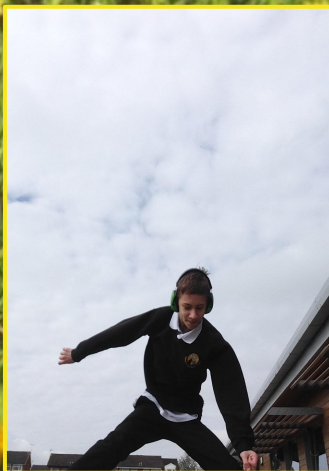
- KITES - DEMETER - POSEIDON - HERA

PLEASE REMEMBER PE KITS ARE NOW
NEEDED FOR A WEDNESDAY - THANK YOU!

- ZEUS + IRIS



This week in Pictures!



PE, School Sport and Physical Activity



Highlight of the week: We had a really good turnout this week for our lunchtime football clubs at secondary again, for the first week back. Students are really engaging with the sessions and looking forward to our next fixture in May.

KS 1

We have been developing our movement skills, including going over, around and under things on a varied obstacle course.

KS 2

Richmond classes enjoyed some new games this week, focusing on our new skill 'agility'. Noughts and Crosses was a big hit and they fair play on show was fantastic to see.

KS 3 & 4

This week we introduced athletics as our new topic. We focused on various skills and how to apply them in different sports. Each week we will have a different focus skill but for the first week, students tried a bit of everything and we were really impressed by the resilience and application to these new activities.

KS 5

Students were offered a chance to swap their fitness activities for this week, so we did some reflection on our own goals. Once again the HIIT group were made to sweat and it was really pleasing to see their application to the session.

Primary

Freya G for excellent sporting spirit in PE.

Secondary

Jamie G & Erin F for persistence & resilience when trying a new skill.

KS 1

Llamas:

Amazing communication and turn taking from all pupils during our nursery rhyme choosing time.all pupils

Lemurs:

Our first trip to the Leisure Centre

Leopards:

This week Leopards welcomed Ella into our class, Ella is a student teacher who will be joining us until the summer.

Tigers & Turtles:

The class has had a very settled week back and it is been lovely to see interactions between peers.

KS 2

Earth:

Fantastic shared play and turn taking

Jupiter:

This week our pupils have had fantastic engagement and interaction

Mars:

All the children enjoying their swimming session on Monday at the leisure center.

Mercury:

We enjoyed making earthquake chocolate cookies in cooking.

Neptune:

Everyone showing great sportsmanship in PE

Saturn:

Lacey-Mae and Cameron taking part in the interview process for potential new teachers

Venus:

Pupils loved making a parachute when learning about air resistance.

Highlights of the week

KS 3

Apollo:

Everyone participating in Drama, making a movement piece using four movements from our new text: Curious incident of the dog in the night-time.

Athena:

Exploring our new RSE topic on getting ready for a party.

Kites:

Quiz during ICT

Owl:

Independently cooking

Poseidon:

Back to our swimming at the Leisure Centre!

KS 4

Hera:

Hera pupils shared their news about their Easter holidays, lovely session of communication.

Hercules:

Swimming

Janus:

Watching 'Come dine with me' and deciding if the conversation was appropriate.

KS 5

6th Form:

Harry C for being invited for a job interview this week. We are all very proud.

Demeter:

Kinjal independently feeding herself at dinner time and exploring new surroundings

Nike:

Sending messages to Brittany.

Cleveland House:

YR 10 Students completing their GCSE Mocks/ Henry making a scoreboard for Middlefield Lane students.

Iris & Zeus

Taking part in the Money Day

Key Stage 1

Leopards: This week we have been looking at the nursery rhyme 'Incy wincy spider.' We have heard some great communication during our active rhyme session, with lots of children indicating they wanted more both verbally and signing. Some of Leopards have had their first swimming session this week, which was a huge success! The children all showed they had enjoyed it by showing us on the emotion faces.

Jenson

Llamas: This week we have started our new topic- Nursery rhymes. We have been focusing on Incy Wincy spider and directional movement, up and down. There was some great engagement during our sensory story with lots of anticipation waiting for the rain to wash the spider out! In topic we have introduced plants and seasonal change and used a variety of collage materials to make weather mobiles.

Molly

Lemurs: I hope everyone had a lovely Easter break, we have had a very busy first week back with some students from Lemurs going swimming for the first time at the Leisure Centre, it was a huge success and the students were fantastic. We have started our topic of Nursery Rhymes, this week we have been thinking about the rhyme Mary Mary Quite Contrary. The students have really enjoyed exploring lots of different flowers, making bouquets, planting and watering flowers and seeds in soil and becoming quite enthusiastic gardeners! We have also welcomed Emma to the class, who will be working on Tuesday, Thursday and Fridays. As well as a very warm welcome to our new students Avanish who has settled very well into his new class!

Avanish

Tigers & Turtles Tigers and Turtles had a lovely first week back at school. We loved learning all about spiders this week, focusing on Incy Wincy Spider in Literacy, making handprint spiders in art, and making spider biscuits in cookery. In Maths we have been learning about up and down directions using a parachute and also cars up and down a ramp. We all engaged really well with our Incy Wincy Spider massage story on Friday and found it very relaxing!

Savannah

Kenzie

Key Stage 2

Earth: This week in Earth we have started our new science topic Forces- push and pull exploring different items to investigate what forces they use and grouping them. We had a fun game of tug of war feeling the forces together. In cookery we have been working on our independent skills whilst following instructions to make cakes. Exploring watercolors to create out Tsunami paintings matching and mixing to get the colours the need for their picture.

Noah

Dillon

Bethany

Jupiter: Welcome back. Everyone has done really well on their return from the Easter holidays. We have started to explore Cloudy with a chance of meatballs in English. Some of the pupils have been working on their descriptive language while others have been exploring weather through sensory exploration. In Maths we have been exploring direction. In Science we have started to explore forces and in Geography we have been learning about Earthquakes. In PSHE we have been working on our self awareness.

Mercury: In English we have enjoyed starting out new topic of cloudy with a chance of meatballs. We tried some spaghetti and meatballs and then described them. In Maths we have worked on shapes and direction. All of the children tried really hard when programming the beebots. In Science we enjoyed looking forces and exploring different items that we have to push and pull.

Kylan

Elliot

Venus: Pupil's have had a lovely first week back beginning their new topics. In Science the children have begun to learn about forces. This week we focused on air resistance and using it to reduce the speed of a falling object. They compared parachutes from paper and plastic carrier bags. In maths we have been learning about 2D and 3D shape names and properties. In English children enjoyed starting our new story, 'Cloud with a chance of meatballs'.

Lina

Oscar

Neptune: We have had a great week back after the Easter Holidays, everyone has enjoyed sharing their fabulous stories! In Music we made our own rhythm and in IT we reminded ourselves of Internet safety. In cultural studies we started to investigate the Muslim faith and learnt about Ramadan. In English we have started our new text of Cloudy with a chance of Meatballs, to which we learnt about Similes. In Maths we have investigated 2D and 3D shapes and in Science we started to investigate Forces, this week we learnt about Gravity. Our topic for Geography is Earthquakes, we all enjoyed roleplaying what to do during an Earthquake.

Freya

Ralph

Saturn: This week in English the students have started watching the DVD 'Cloudy with a chance of meatballs.' The students have followed instructions to make a sandwich, matched sentences to pictures and they made their own invention machine out of recycled products. In geography the students were learning how tectonic plates are made up and explored different resources that represented the plates. They ripped apart pancakes and had to try and fit them back together again. In art they looked at the San Francisco earthquake and used charcoal to draw a before and after picture.

Mars: This week in mars we having started our new topic "feel the force". The children have enjoyed spending time on the bikes and swing. In English we explored the different weather elements. The children enjoyed trying on the sun glasses and getting wet in the rain. We have also been learning about Ramadan, where they got to try on some ethnics clothing and taste and explore some samosas, pakoras and bhajis.

Key Stage 3

Harley

Owls: Owls have had a great first week back - in English we have enjoyed looking at the curious incident of the dog in the night !
Using drama and descriptive writing to introduce the book.

In maths the class have continued to enjoy a cooking session and also consolidating some skills they have learnt last term.

In humanities we enjoyed learning about Richard III and the rumours about him

Angel

Poseidon: This week we have been to our first swim back at the Leisure Center on Monday and to forest schools where we had to look for different nature objects. On Tuesday we have started a new topic in English looking at The Curious Incident of The Dog In The Night Time and we have been writing about our likes and dislikes and completing some detective colorful semantics. In Maths we have been on a trip to London exploring different shapes and practicing our map reading and direction skills.

In music we have been exploring the theme individually different and looking at different tastes in music and sharing our thoughts on why we like/ dislike pieces of music and why.

Pimmy

Kites: Kites have had a positive first week back after the Easter break. Pupils have swam this week and continued to represent the school brilliantly out in public. We have also begun to explore Animals in science, and pupils already knew lots of interesting information about mammals and different species and in English we have begun to read our new book in English - The curious incident of the dog in the night, which has already got us all guessing about might have committed the crime.

Athena: This week we have begun our work on our new topics in English and Maths and have enjoyed exploring a crime scene as part of the Curious Incident of the dog. In PSHE we have engaged in a sherborne story.

Ethan

Apollo: A fantastic start to our Summer Term. Everyone was keen to get back into their school routines and keen to share their Easter holiday news. This week in Maths, we have been looking at time and many of the pupils remembered key skills from previous learning. We have focused on analogue time this week and started to transfer these times to digital representations.

Max L

Key Stage 4

Janus: This week we have launched our new topic of travel. In art, we began looking at seascapes and learnt how to make watercolours look like the sea. In geography we have started looking at populations and where people live and also explored different types of energy in science. Everyone has been very engaged and interested in our new topics.

Manav

Hercules: Hercules have had a good 1st week back, after the holidays and everyone has settled back into the school routine very well. We are all enjoying the new English story- Our Day Out.

Erlend

Hera: In Art pupils worked on David Hockney and his beautiful almost photographic painting, they talked about what the art made them think and feel. In Computing we are learning how to make 3D shapes. In RSE/PSHE we are starting to plan a Jubilee tea party. Our first lesson was all about both healthy eating and Queen Elizabeth's photos and fashion since her coronation. In Humanities we are looking at emigration to Ellis Island, we are using a Sherbourne sensory story to gain some insight into the 'Island of tears' as it was called.

Amy

Cleveland House: KS 5 -Harry has been working on his 2D platform for his game design course. Henry made chicken fajitas for his cooking own lunch after completing some great work. Kyle has been working on his sociology essay. Bradley has been revising for his for his A level exams and applying for his university course. KS 4- Rubi, Grant and Danni completed their YR 10 mock GCSE Exams and well done for all the hard work they have put in. Our YR11 students are working very hard in preparation for their GCSE exams which start in mid May. Every one has really settled back in after Easter. KS3- Settling back into the school routine, In History studying slavery and in science revising for forthcoming topic tests,

Hugh
KS4

Bradley
KS5

Zeus & Iris: A great first week back with lots going on. On Tuesday many pupils in the unit took part in a 'Money Day'. It was a whole day about money led by staff from Hinckley and Rugby Building Society. Firstly, there was a discussion about money and how it affects our everyday lives. Then students took part in an enterprise project where they 'worked' and earned money to buy things from a 'shop'. They had to work out their budget and what they could afford. Finally, they paid a visit to Hinckley and Rugby Building Society in town and deposited the money they had earned and found out about different accounts. Overall, everyone really enjoyed the experience and learnt a lot at the same time. A big well done to Spencer who completed his exams this week!

Spencer

Callum

Key Stage 5

6th Form: The running group showed great commitment on Wednesday by walking and running around Richmond Park. Daisy B was an absolute star and ran around 4 times! The PE group on Monday showed tremendous team work, supporting peers to complete a range of activities in the playground. In careers the focus was on CV writing and job interviews. Harry C shared his experiences of applying for jobs and Marco has chosen to be a barber as a career and told peers he would need to be “careful” in this role. The cooking groups have had their first try at the new menu choices and have coped well with the challenges.

Work Experience: Thanks to the hard work and efforts of Kieran, Cole and Christine, business at the pitch and putt at Hollycroft Park is now increasing massively and the council are benefiting financially as a result. A further consequence is that the pavillion is selling far more refreshments. For the first time, the pitch and putt is now taking more money than the tennis courts! The council have asked our work experience group to continue maintaining the area and the great work they have accomplished to date. The group welcomed Will S this week who enjoyed his day and will continue for the remainder of the Summer Term. Well done everyone for making such a fantastic contribution to the community.

Nyah
Kratos

Marco
Triton

Lewis
Helios

Nike: This week we have started to explore measurements, today we made milkshakes in maths. Oliver with support measured out the amounts needed. Then Chloe wanted to make a red milkshake and really enjoyed using the button to blend it. Reece worked really hard in cooking chopping onions independently for his pasta bake.

Sharney

Demeter: This week has been full of achievements and we have seen so many targets being hit. In English we looked at our sensory story and it was lovely to see all the young people engaged with the collaging and painting. The bungalow pathways focused on building life skills and Ben successfully made pasta in sauce. During PE the whole key stage had a great game of Boccia with the blue team winning! Emily took a while but successfully transitioned to the sensory room for tacpac and what an achieved to see Kinjal attempting to feed herself! Have a great weekend ~ The Demeter team

Kinjal

*Have a lovely Bank Holiday weekend, we
will see you on Tuesday morning.!*