

Dorothy Goodman School Parent Newsletter

Friday 1st July 2022

From our headteacher: The pupils had a fantastic time visiting their new classes this week. It was lovely to see everyone exploring their new environments. Jesse loved exploring the water and the outdoor space at the secondary site – he transitioned really well and had a lovely time. Edward conquered the climb of the mound but was not as confident about rolling back down – George and staff did some lovely modelling of how to do this. At Cleveland House the pupils worked on their team building skills creating marshmallow towers and balancing table tennis balls on measuring tape to get them into a cup. The pupils at the HAJC base were excellent role models and they had a lovely time playing football at lunchtime. The Vocational 6th Form made pizzas – Callum realised that gluten free flour was making his base tricky to roll out and Chloe was critical of her pizza as it wasn't circular. Pupils at primary really enjoyed the free flow on offer and exploring the new classroom spaces.

It was lovely to have shared with me the picture of George's sunflower which he has grown at home – he has cared for it well and as a result it is taller than him (the picture is shared in the newsletter). Adam has also had a really positive experience transitioning to college and is developing his confidence with the new people that he has met. When he went for his transition visit this week he returned to say goodbye to the member of staff that he has been working with.

Welcoming the new pupils to the secondary phase was a real pleasure and they had a lovely day. Over the next two weeks we will be transitioning the new pupils to school who are joining us in Early Years and Key Stage 1. As we head into the final week of the academic year we have lots of fun planned for the pupils.





LUNCHES



w/c 4th July 2022

Week 1 Menu

Our up to date lunch menus for Primary and Secondary can be found by clicking this link: <u>Lunch</u>

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.

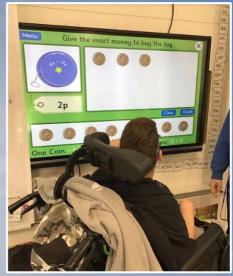
Please keep the office updated with any dietary requirements for your child. School Meals can be paid for via Arbor.

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.































































Highlights of the week

Llamas: Super engagement during our sensory story

Lemurs: A fun filled and calm transition day

Lions: A great transition day for all.

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All of the Leopards had a fantastic transition day on Thursday with everyone enjoying their new classes and getting to know all the

children and staff.

Earth: Fantastic transition day great attitude and engagement

Mars: A successful transition day

Neptune: Neptune Olympics

Saturn: The students enjoying visiting their new classes

Athena: Our trip to the British Motor Museum.

Kites: Spending the day in our new classes.

This week, Owls had a really successful transition day to our new classes. The students managed the change really well and enjoyed getting to know their new classes and teachers.

Poseidon: Gaydon Motor Museum

Atlas: the practiced playing the piano together. Erin also really enjoyed transition day, she participated in sports games and making pizza.

Ellie made a new positive friendship during transition day on Thursday -

Hera: Pupils setting off to transition day with enthusiastic attitudes.

Hercules:

Our Indian class wedding, where we experienced cooking and eating Indian food, clothes, dancing and a ceremony.

6th Form: Transition Day and trips

Nike: Sharney really enjoyed going on the Barwell Lane Leavers Trip to The Motor Museum

Cleveland House: All the activities that the students have taken part in.

Iris & Zeus Duke of Edinburgh Trip

Trips

Duke of Edinburgh

The Duke of Edinburgh group set off on Tuesday morning down the canal from the KFC car park. We were all very excited to embark on the adventure. Kailon and Spencer's map reading skills were exceptional and, with the help of the rest of the group, they problem solved when they were unsure to find the correct paths along the way. When we got to camp Chloe, Alexis and Amber were the tent Queens, putting their two tents up before anyone else had even got their poles in. They then went around and helped everyone else to put theirs up. After a restless night sleep we were up bright and early the next morning, well some of us were. It took a bit to get going this morning and it was a lot quieter when we started walking than the previous morning. We finally made it to Bosworth Battlefield for lunch, everyone suitably exhausted but with very little moaning. Well done to all of the pupils for taking part in their Duke of Edinburgh, not only these last couple of days but throughout this year with their volunteering, skills and physical sections too. You should all be very proud.

Caythorpe Court

All 5 students had a brilliant time and engaged in all the activities on offer that included: tunnel trail, problem solving, abseiling, climbing, trapeze, vertical climb, raft building, jacob's ladder, high wire assault course, giant swing, archery, rifle shooting and fencing. They all did amazing and tried everything. A particular favourite was the giant swing and raft building that was followed by a swim in the lake.

The evening's entertainment included:

quiz, sports night, camp fire with singing and toasting marshmallows

Key Stage 1

Lemurs: This week we have introduced the story of Crabby, we have had lots of sensory fun pretending to be at the beach as well as exploring lots of shiny material and dressing up as mermaids. In cooking we have made 'crabwiches' using croissants as well as a 'beach in a cup' layering yoghurt and biscuits which the students found very tasty! In art we have made seagulls, which was another character from the story. On Thursday some of our students went to their new classes in preparation for next year and had a really successful day.

Charlie

Whole Class **Leopards:** This week we have been looking at a sensory story about Crabby the crab to prepare for the theater production that will be shown in school next week, . Laura, Lily and Logan were eager to show us how to slide sideways on their bottoms to walk like Crabby while Zohaan, Lekan and Henry-Paul showed fantastic engagement with sand during the story. We rounded the week off with fun in soft play.

Lions: We have had a wonderful week exploring the story of 'Crabby' in readiness for a theatre production of Crabby next week. Everyone has engaged in the parts of the story in different ways; whether it be wearing a top hat, or hiding Crabby in the sand, or investigating the mermaid material, or eating fish and chips to name a few. We were so proud of many of lions transitioning into KS2 on Transition Day. They were all superstars!

Joshua

Bowie

Llamas: This week we have focused on our sensory story- Crabby. We have created beach scenes, made paper plate crabs, seagulls and jelly fish and role played a fish and chip shop. We rounded the week off with the final acts from the story, a cream tea. On Thursday all the pupils had a very positive transition day in there new classes.

Key Stage 2

<u>Earth:</u>This week in Earth we have had a great time in our creating and exploring beach artefacts and making our own beach scene. In Science we explored changes and experimented with lots of different items to see if we could reverse these once they had been mixed, melted or chopped, there was fantastic discussion and reflection on what they had done. In math we continued with the money topic practicing and developing our communication and exchanging at the shop.

Whole Class

Austin

Mars: This week in Mars we have talked about our new classes for next year. The children all had A positive transition day and met their new peers and staff. We also carried on with our topic work "Holidays" creating a beach scene in Art and the children enjoyed the sand and water play. We have also been working on communication through free flow play and exploring what toys we liked.

Key Stage 2

Neptune: Everyone has had a great week this week. The highlight was definitely Neptune Olympics on Wednesday, in our History lesson. Everyone worked really hard cheering their friends and teammates on, it was great fun! The Coffee Morning was brilliant with a fabulous production of Superheroes performed by the Drama group.

Kian

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Saturn: This week in English the students have been watching video clips about Theseus and the Minotaur. The students ordered pictures and sentences from the story and drew a picture to create their own mythical creature. In maths they have continued working on problem solving using time- making different times on their clocks and adding on amounts of time. In science they were testing out different substances to see if they dissolved in water. This morning the students enjoyed their coffee morning with the parents and the drama group did an amazing job performing their production.

Key Stage 3

Athena: Athena class had a lovely start to the week when we visited the British Motor Museum. We saw lots of cars and were even allowed to sit in some of them! Athena class also did really well on Transition Day, meeting some of our new peers. We're looking forward to Sports Day on Friday afternoon!

Jamie

Keerthana

<u>Kites:</u> It's been another busy and different week and Kites have shown how sensible and mature they are - coping well with all the changes. It shows how ready they are to move on. Transition Day was a huge success and the classroom was buzzing with excitement at the end of the day compared to the nervous anticipation in the morning.

<u>Owls:</u> This week in Owls, we have been winding down towards the summer with some games and problem solving in Maths. The students have shown great resilience to keep on with the Trial and Error element of some of the tasks. In English we have continued to do some work on our murder mystery stories and we prepared a factfile about each student this week, to help their new teachers get to know them for next year.

Aaryan



<u>Poseidon:</u>On Monday we went to the Gaydon motor Museum and we explored the different transport at the museum and did some touch and access work and the pupils enjoyed looking around the museum. On Thursday we had a really positive transition day we're pupils met new class teacher and new pupils in their classes for September everyone had big smiles and discussed what they did throughout the day!

Key Stage 4

Ellie

Atlas: This week pupils in atlas class enjoyed meeting their new class friends and class teachers during transition day. Everyone had a great time and had lots of fun stories to tell when they arrived back at school. All the pupils are very excited and feeling positive about joining their new classes in August 2022.

Erin

Cassie
-Jayne

Hera: The class enjoyed revisiting some chemical reactions experiments in Science, in Art they finished their ripped paper art which looked really good. On Thursday we had transition day and all of our pupils were happy to make the step towards next year, there were lots of activities such as slime making, cooking and 'all about me' profiling. They enjoyed making new friends and meeting their new teachers and support staff.

<u>Hercules:</u> This week in Hercules we have been very busy, we have had our last pathway of the year, enjoyed acting out an Indian wedding and we have met our new classes and are looking forward to the new academic year.

Whole Class

Zeus & Iris Zeus & Iris: Another great week with lots going on. In swimming the progress pupils had made throughout the year was evidenced by Nathan being confident to go into the deep end and swim there for the whole lesson and Taylor being able to immerse himself in the water and actually lie back on the noodle in the shallow end! Iris class had a quieter couple of days with most of Zeus being away so took advantage of that! But the highlight must be to most of Zeus taking part in the Duke of Edinburgh walk and overnight stay, in tents, in the countryside. Some pupils were a little nervous but they all overcame their worries and did it! A huge well done to them all and a thank you to Emma, Max and Craig for taking them.

Cleveland House: It's been a busy week at Cleveland House with reward trips, taster sessions and transition day. Jack and Kyle experienced a day in the 6th for trying out their preferred subjects for next year. George went to Nuneaton college for a taster of his catering course where he made a delicious pizza. Danni took a trip to Kenilworth Castle where they had a historic tour and visited the gatehouse. We have also visited the zoo and been bowling for the students rewards and we lucky that the sun shone all day for us.

Laycen KS3

> Hugh KS4

Grant

KS5

Adam
Triton

Stephen
Kratos

James
Helios

Ruby
Helios

Jasmine
Helios

Key Stage 5

6th Form: The Bronze D of E group successfully completed their expedition walking over 2 different days and camping for one night. They developed skills in navigation, campcraft and teamwork and should be proud of their achievement. Again students have visited new places and the leavers had a good time at Drayton Manor on Thursday. We greeted new students to our site who will be joining us in the new school year and the pizzas all looked amazing. Some great team work, well done everybody!

<u>Nike:</u> This week students were really busy. Transition Day yesterday was a huge success with all the students coming back to class with smiling faces. Today we had Sports Day, lots of running, races, and red faces! In cooking, students made pizza and pot noodles. In English, we continued to explore The Miller's Tale and in Maths we worked on review skills. Have a great weekend!

Sharney

Have a fantastic weekend.

We look forward to seeing you for the last week of the academic year.

(Last day is Thursday)