

Friday 10th November 2023

Headteachers Comments

Stephen was doing a fantastic job supporting in serving the dinners at the Vocational 6th Form. The menu on Wednesday was pizza and it looked delicious. The pepperoni was a big hit with Emily. Chloe B was enjoying her chocolate mousse and asked me if she could have more hot dinners at school (a conversation I left for the staff and mum). James reported back that he had a fantastic time at his first visit to Caterpillar and Callum said that they had enjoyed being in the training block. Jake had also been out for his Green Spaces work experience and talked about how he was enjoying school and looking forward to going to college next year.

Max has been having a great time at TECK – he went on a different day this week and it was lovely to get a call back to tell me how well Max had settled in and how he had really managed the group that he was joining well. I am looking forward to hearing how he gets on over the next few weeks. I have had lots of pupil emails this week – a key stage 4 pupil shared their colourful semantics work on War Horse where they had identified that it was set in the trenches and the soldiers felt scared. PJ has asked for some things for the calm corner in school (although we might need to work on what these look like) and Manav shared the pictures that he had selected as part of his work. Everyone has been really focused and busy.

Key Stage 2 have been working on habitats and the pupils in Pluto really engaged with the multisensory habitats which included a biscuit dessert, a shaving foam and ice arctic and a jelly ocean – the pupils loved it! At New Lubbesthorpe the pupils were enjoying imaginative play planning train journeys to the zoo exploring all of the different animals that they might see.

Over this next half term we have built in some flexibility to the leadership team as Sarah Bell has gone on maternity leave. This means that Mark Wilson will be doing some work within the Primary phase. We are also working on embedding the new curriculum at the Vocational 6th Form and Jonathan Chandler will be providing support for this. Have a good weekend.

Kelly

Date for the Diary	Event	Info
Tue 7th Nov	Parents Evening	Primary School & Secondary School
Fri 15th Dec	Christmas Farmers Market	Secondary School (10am - 12noon) information to follow
Tue 19th Dec	Christmas Dinner in School Only for Primary School, Secondary School, Cleveland House and The Hinckley School Base	Cleveland House & The Hinckley School Base
Wed 20th Dec		Secondary School
Thur 21st Dec		Primary School
Fri 22nd Dec	Last Day of Autumn Term	

LUNCHES w/c 13th November Week 3 Menu



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

[Lunch Menus](#)

Primary School Meals: £2.20 per day (From 8th January 2024: £2.30)

Secondary School Meals: £2.45 per day (From 8th January 2024: £2.55)

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.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Leicestershire Partnership 
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IMMUNISATION SESSIONS AT YOUR SCHOOL

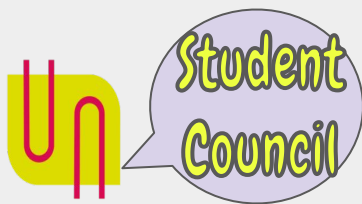
School Aged Immunisation Service

The School Aged Immunisation Service from Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust will be delivering the following vaccinations at your school this academic year:

Friday 9th February 2024 - 3 in 1 Teenage Booster & Meningitis - Year 9 and above

Friday 3rd May 2024 - Human papillomavirus (HPV) - Year 8 and above

Consent can be given/declined [here](#).
School Code is LE138156



Following on from our first school council meeting, students have decided they would like to raise money for specific charities and have suggested ways in which we do this.

Secondary - Barwell Lane-Raising money for RSPCA-Suggested Donations £1

Non school uniform or fancy dress on **Tuesday 14th November**



Coffee mornings in school - Selling drinks and cakes, to raise money for Menphys. Dates below:

Tuesday 14th November, 10am - 12noon - The Hinckley School and Cleveland House

Tuesday 21st November, 10am - 12noon - Vocational 6th Form, Middlefield Lane



Please complete [this](#) form to confirm your attendance for either of these events

Primary, Richmond and New Lubbesthorpe-Raising money for Menphys-Suggested Donations £1

Non school uniform/fancy dress on **Tuesday 14th November**, students also want to make silly hats in class.



National
Online
Safety

National Online Safety has lots of useful courses and information, including online safety guides on the latest apps, games, devices and risks

Information on how to keep young people safe online and for previous

Online Safety Newsletters please visit:

[National Online Safety Library](#)

[Open Thinking Partnership E-Safety](#)

CHRISTMAS DINNER



- Please be advised that the Christmas Dinners are available only for Primary, Secondary and those based at The Hinckley School.
- New Lubbethorpe, Richmond and Voc 6th Form will be doing something different, this will be communicated to parents.
- Christmas Dinner will take place on the dates listed and can only be booked and paid for via Arbor/Activities/Trips/Christmas dinner.
- There will be no other dinner option on the day of the Christmas dinner so please provide a packed lunch if Christmas dinner is not required.
- The deadline for ordering is 9am on Friday 10th November 2023. We can't accept orders after this deadline date.
- If your child is entitled to Free School Meals/Universal FSM **booking is still required** (no payment required)
- Please note that this meal will be provided by Dorothy Goodman School and must be paid for via Arbor. Students at Cleveland House and The Hinckley School will not be having their Christmas dinner in the canteen at The Hinckley School.



TOMBOLA PRIZES WANTED

We are looking for prizes for our tombola stall we will have at the Christmas Market on 15th December.

We are looking for the following items:

- Wine
- Chocolate (No Nuts please)
- Bath sets
- Candles
- Toys
- Games



Please can we ask that any donations are new and in their original packaging.



Lunch Menu

Christmas week (18th - 22nd Dec)

Monday

Meatballs & pasta or vegan sausage roll, potatoes & vegetables

Tuesday

Cheese pizza potatoes & beans

Xmas lunch for The Hinckley School/Cleveland house

Wednesday

Chicken steak, potatoes & beans / cheese & onion lattice (Pri)

Secondary Xmas lunch - no other option available

Thursday

Chicken steak, potatoes & beans / cheese & onion lattice (Sec)

Primary Xmas lunch - no other option available

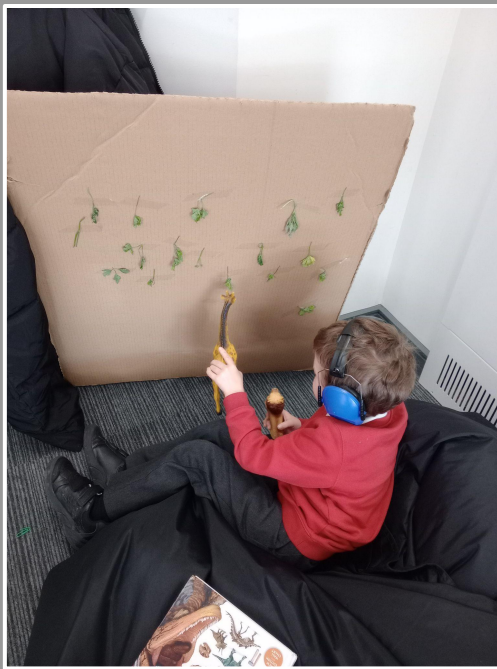
Friday

Fish, chips & mushy peas

Jacket Potatoes / Sandwiches are still available (except Weds for Sec/Thurs for Pri)



DOROTHY GOODMAN SCHOOL



New Lubbesthorpe Base

WRITE UP

We have enjoyed continuing our topic all about animals. We learnt about amphibians in science and they life cycle of the frog- we particularly enjoyed jumping the frogs in the jelly! In geography, we learnt about the ocean habitat and we enjoyed splashing in the water and searching for different sea creatures.



MEMORABLE MOMENT

Lots and lots of very muddy fun in the allotment with our wellies and puddle suits



NOTICES

If your child does not have wellies or a P.E kit, please send one in thank you



MEMORABLE MOMENT

Exploring the sound P in this weeks phonic session with Pumpkins, Pirates songs and parachute games



EYFS & Key Stage 1 Primary School

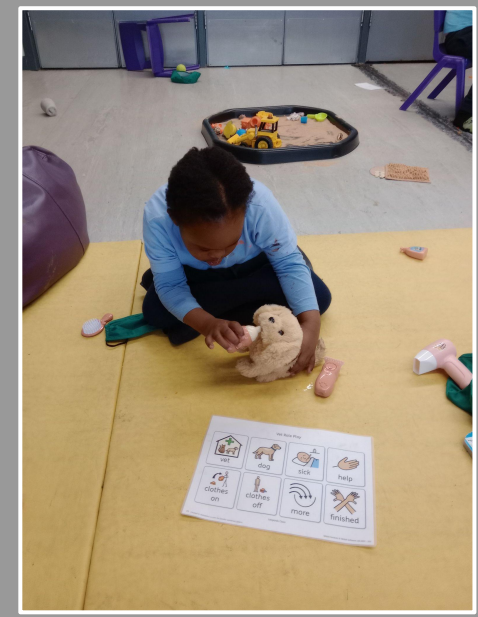
WRITE UP

This week Key stage one has been exploring farm animals as part of their animal topic. In phonics we have enjoyed find different words that begin with the letter P.



NOTICES

Although it is very muddy outside, this is an important part of the curriculum, therefore if you can please provide suitable outdoor clothing such as wellies and all weather suits.





WRITE UP

In English we have continued watching 'The Water Horse'. The students have been reading sentences and matching them to the correct pictures. In maths they have continued working on their money skills. In science we have been learning about animals and the different habitats that they live in and been exploring the habitats through sensory exploration. In geography we have been learning about how mountains are formed and took part in experiments involving towels and cardboard and they were very interested to observe the results.

MEMORABLE MOMENT

The students taking part in mountain experiments to observe how mountains are formed.

Richmond Base



NOTICES

Please put names in jumpers as we have lots left in the classrooms and we cannot return them to their owners.



WRITE UP

In maths, we have been exploring our topic of measurement. It has been great to see all the young people be so practical and curious with their maths.

MEMORABLE MOMENT

Lovely social play from all of Jupiter class in the soft play area.

Key Stage 2 Primary School



NOTICES

Please clearly label all items that belong to your young person; including shoes, lunchboxes and any toys or comforters they may need to bring in.

WEEKLY WRITE UP

Some classes have been making egg bread. In Art some classes have been looking at pop art and have started to make an Andy Warhol inspired class art work. In English we have been looking at fake crime scenes and writing about what we can see and talking about what we think might have happened linked to our Sherlock Holmes topic. In Science we have been exploring different animal groupings and their different features. In sensory maths we have been exploring how a cafe works through using drama play, Marie has really enjoyed serving food for the class and using the role play kitchen.



Key Stage 3 Secondary School



MEMORABLE MOMENT

Jamie independently getting on with his art work after being shown and following instructions. Mitchel offering the pretend microwave he was playing with to Habiba when she was upset to cheer her up.



NOTICES

Please can water bottles be labelled. Please send in PE kits for Mondays and Wednesdays. Leisure Centre Swimming for some students on Mondays so please bring swimming kits. Forest School on Tuesdays for some students so please send in wellies and waterproofs. If you have any old shirts/t-shirts that you could donate to the school to use as aprons in art, this would be greatly appreciated.



WRITE UP

In KS4 this week everyone has been working really hard to learn to tell the time. It is very confusing with all the different numbers and formats and way of say it but everyone is persevering as they understand what a key life-skill this is. They have also been learning about the story of Rama and Sita in RE some pupils have enjoyed exploring the Rangoli patterns and mark making whereas other have been retelling the story using colourful semantics and word mats to help them.



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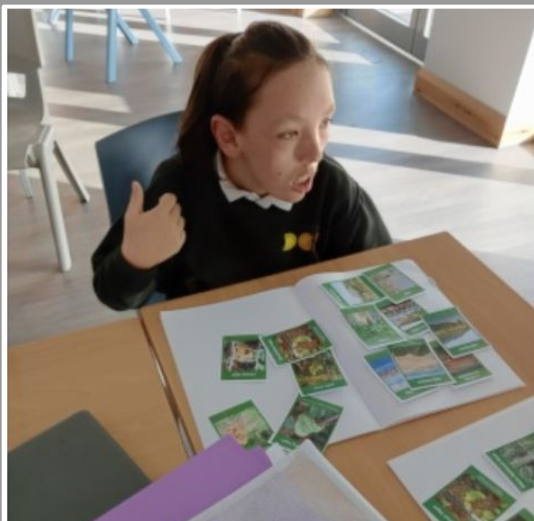
Please remember PE kits for Friday.

MEMORABLE MOMENT

Callum and Chloe have been working together to stand up together back to back - it is taking a lot of co-operation and communication to achieve.



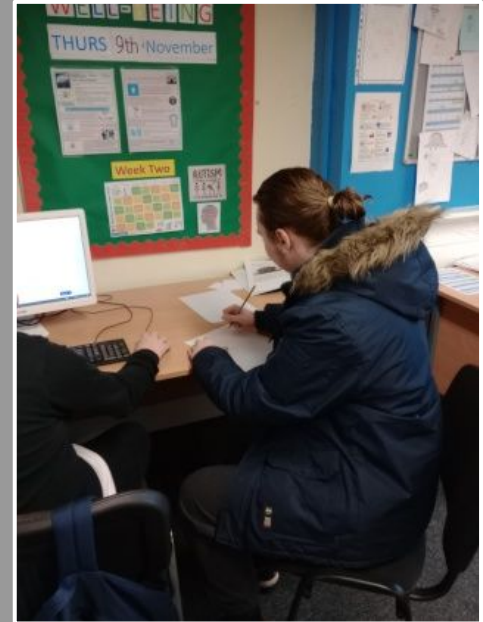
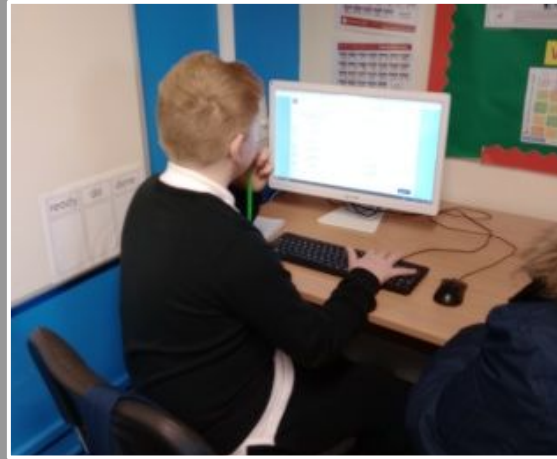
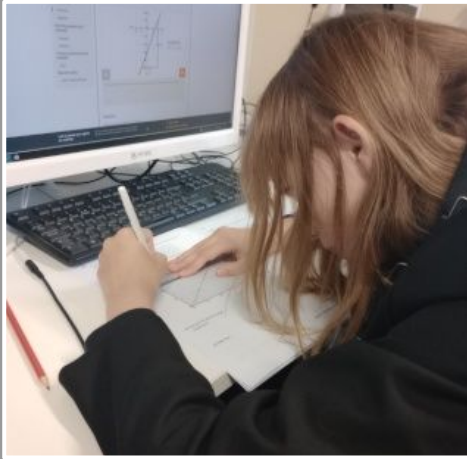
Key Stage 4 Secondary School



WRITE UP

KS3 - We have had a fab week, we used our imaginations to draw a scene from The Hound of the Baskervilles. We made and performed a musical tune using our body as a percussion instrument, and we made our Diva Lamps, out of Salt Dough ready to be decorated next week.

KS4 - This week Amelia, Noah, Carter, Ryan, William and Dan had a fantastic Drama lesson improvising and in pairs picked a sentence to start a scene and then had to engage in dialogue. Mackenzie, Ryan, Alfie and Alfie have been working hard in Art Awards on a variety of patterns using paint, chalk, paper and pencil crayons with some great results.



MEMORABLE MOMENT

KS 3 - Performing our body percussion music to each other.

KS 4 -Danni receiving A* in psychology both on her test and homework.



Cleveland House



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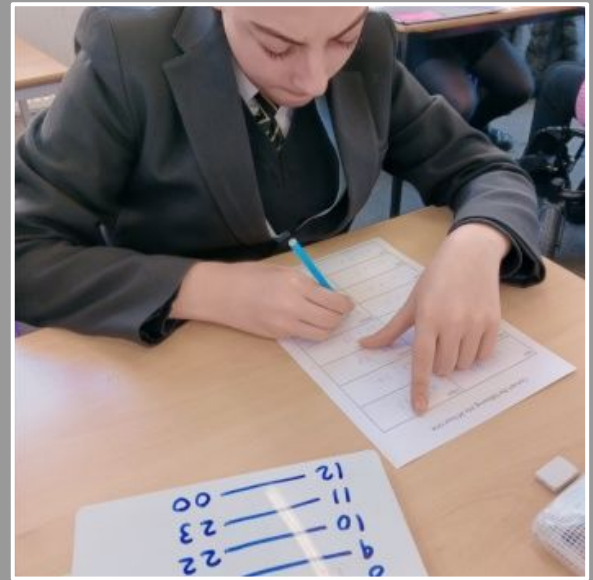


NOTICES

KS4 Hinckley Base - Could you please send in any shoe boxes, cereal boxes, other small cardboard boxes for our PSHE lesson.



The Hinckley School Base



MEMORABLE MOMENT

Making diyas is RE and going to the science lab.



WRITE UP

KS 3 - The students went to the park to integrate in the community for life skills and created facial sculptures from clay. All students had a wonderful experience and recited how they would like to do it again. Additionally, they painted their diva's for Diwali in RE and created animals with clay to learn about food chains in Science. Furthermore the students have done remarkably well in learning how to tell analogue time in maths.

KS 4 - We have continued learning about time and calendar in Math. This week in KS4, Iris had the opportunity to go to the lab, they worked very well and followed the method correctly. In RSE we are learning about diversity and how communities differ. In art the pupils created their own pop art using different mediums.

TRAINEESHIPS

- ★ If your child is aged 16 to 24 and not quite ready to start an apprenticeship, they could consider a traineeship.
- ★ It is a programme that helps young people gain skills and includes work experience and study.
- ★ Traineeships are unpaid and usually last for 6 months or less.
- ★ Traineeships are designed to help young people who want to get an apprenticeship or job, but don't yet have the appropriate skills or experience.
- ★ Traineeships will include a substantial work placement and other opportunities to develop the skills and workplace experience than an employer would require.
- ★ Traineeships are aimed at young people between 16-19 years with or without an EHC Plan, who have qualifications below level 3.
- ★ The content of a traineeship may be tailored to the individual needs of the young person.
- ★ Traineeships may offer: work preparation training, job searching, CV writing, interview preparation, interpersonal skills, accredited qualifications such as employability or sector based qualifications, English and maths qualifications, a high quality work experience placement.
- ★ The goal of the Traineeship is to move the trainee into an apprenticeship on completion of their programme.
- ★ From 1 August 2023 the National traineeship programme will cease to exist and instead will be integrated into other 16-19 study programmes for young people. Individual providers may, however, decide to continue to offer traineeships themselves so you should check with your local college or training providers.

FIND A TRAINEESHIP

- ★ You can search for a traineeship at [gov.uk/find-traineeship](https://www.gov.uk/find-traineeship).
- ★ More information on traineeships should be available from your local FE college or the National Careers Service.
- ★ <https://www.getmyfirstjob.co.uk/find/all/traineeship/in-leicestershire?page2491=1&size2491=12>
- ★ Speak to a Jobcentre Plus advisor