

Friday 1st December 2023

Headteachers Comments

This week I had a lovely time joining Lizards for the start of the day. All of the pupils were beautifully engaged with a range of activities – Quynn was enjoying exploring cause and effect with the cars and made a hill out of the car mat so that she can roll them down to crash into each other. Jackson was using the connecting bricks to build and shared his bricks with Quynn. Billy was completing his jigsaw and when he was ready, used his communication book to request a snack.

At New Lubbesthorpe Laura demonstrated how her independence in walking is developing and it was lovely to see her playful character come out. Rozina was doing introductions with me and sharing names whilst Evie was fully engaged with the bubbles. All of the pupils were enjoying choice time and there was some excellent singing during the end of day song. The pupils shared with me the pictures that were taken from their encounter with the animals – it was great to see everyone engaging confidently with the animals.

We have had a few more shares on Earwig over the last week with Max M using his stander for 15 minutes. Megan has made a special time of year jar and her smile really did show how proud she was of it. Jacob B helped his sister to put up the special time of year tree and Kian had a special award in rugby for running two thirds of the pitch before getting tackled. Austin has done some great problem solving with his number blocks stickers – placing them in order and using different stickers to make the numbers needed. Macie has really enjoyed going shopping and had a fantastic day. We are not quite ready for the C word yet but it is on its way. Have a lovely weekend

Kelly



LUNCHES w/c 4th December 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.



Date for the Diary	Event	Info
Fri 8th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day	Wear a festive jumper (NOT THE HINCKLEY SCHOOL/CLEVELAND HOUSE)
Thur 14th Dec	Christmas Dinner in School	Richmond (provided by the base)
Fri 15th Dec	Christmas Farmers Market	Secondary School (10am - 12noon)
Tue 19th Dec	Christmas Dinner in School	Cleveland House & The Hinckley School Base (DGS provided)
Tue 19th Dec	Christmas Dinner in School	Vocational 6th Form (provided by the base)
Tue 19th Dec	Stay & Play with EYFS/KS1	New Lubbesthorpe Base. Information to follow
Wed 20th Dec	Christmas Dinner in School	Secondary School
Wed 20th Dec	KS2: Christmas does talent	Parents will be invited to see performances. Info to follow
Thur 21st Dec	Christmas Dinner in School	Primary School (DGS provided) & a visit from Santa
Thur 21st Dec	Christmas Dinner in School	New Lubbesthorpe (provided by the base)
Thur 21st Dec	Vocational 6th Bowling Trip	10am - 2pm - information sent out separately by email.
Fri 22nd Dec	Stay & Play with EYFS/KS1	Primary School. Information to follow
Fri 22nd Dec	CH Laser Quest Trip	09:30am - 1:30pm, Cleveland House students - email has been sent separately
Fri 22nd Dec	Last Day of Autumn Term	
Mon 8th Jan 2024	First Day of Spring Term	

Thank you so much to all for supporting the events over the last term.
 Primary raised £33.69 for Menphy's by wearing non-school uniform and making silly hats.
 Barwell Lane, Cleveland House and The Hinckley School Base raised £52.16 for RSPCA
 Vocational 6th Form raised £159.15 for Menphy's.

**Student
Council**

Spring Term After School Clubs

Applications for Spring Term 1 Afterschool Clubs are now open. Please complete the relevant form in order to apply. The application form will close at 8am on Monday 11th December 2023. Please see form for more details regarding the clubs on offer and costs.

[Primary After School Club Application Form](#)

[Secondary After School Club Application Form](#)



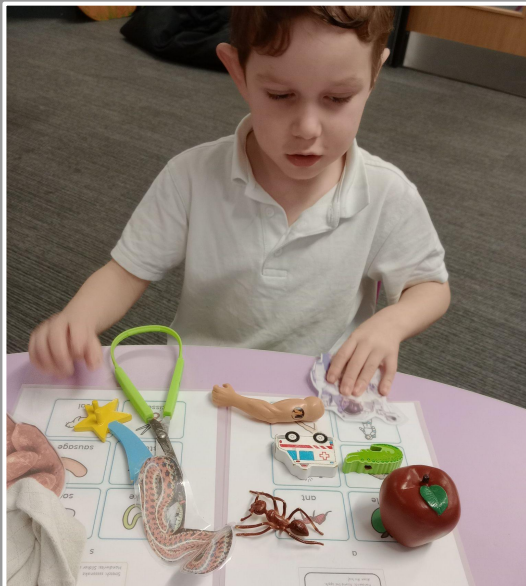
NOTICES

If your child does not have a P.E kit in school, please send one in. Thank you

New Lubbesthorpe

MEMORABLE MOMENT

Exploring the frosty weather- tasting the ice!



WRITE UP

Tigers and Turtles have enjoyed looking back at the photos from the animal experience on Friday. We learnt about the desert in Geography and learnt that meerkats live there so it was great to make that connection after meeting Frank the meerkat last Friday!

We are starting to look forward to Christmas now and have been excited to see Christmas lights in the classroom and an advent calendar!





MEMORABLE MOMENT

Pluto students visiting Old John at Bradgate Park and all making it to the top.

Richmond Base



WRITE UP

This week in science the students have been learning about how to care for animals. Pluto students have finished watching the DVD 'the Water Horse' and wrote about their favourite part. In maths we have been learning about time. In RE the students were continuing their learning about Diwali and used a variety of sensory items to make Rangoli patterns.



NOTICES

Friday 8th December is Christmas Jumper day.



MEMORABLE MOMENT

Pupils in KS1 loved the animal visit!

Key Stage 1 Primary School



WRITE UP

Last week, pupils were very excited about the animal visit at school! They were most excited to meet a meerkat, lizard and armadillo! This week, pupils have continued to explore their topic about animals. They enjoyed mark making in art and embossing some very colourful animal prints.



NOTICES

Please can any spare clothes be sent back into school.





Key Stage 2 Primary School



NOTICES

Remember christmas jumper day next friday! - We can not wait to see them all!



MEMORABLE MOMENT

Great engagement across all classes - Well done KS2!



WRITE UP

This week we have explored lakes and rivers, we have had lots of fun exploring floating and sinking and playing in the water! We have continued our learning of The Water Horse, the children have enjoyed acting out different scenes from the book. In maths, we have been focusing on money through exchanging money for our ingredients to make krispie cakes and in RE we have continued our learning on Hanukkah and the children have enjoyed tasting new foods.

WEEKLY WRITE UP

In English we have continued learning about Sherlock Holmes and we have predicted the ending of the story. Swimming was eventful this week - the main pool was closed so we explored the water play area instead and had a great time playing together. In Science we developed our understanding of habitats, exploring different habitat sensory trays and making an arctic picture. Some of us also learnt about food chains, making our own with our favourite animals.



Key Stage 3 Secondary School



MEMORABLE MOMENT
Sliding down the icy hill
at lunchtimes!

NOTICES

Please can all pupils wear appropriate footwear and clothing on Mondays and Wednesdays for PE. Please can water bottles, lunch bags and coats be labelled. Swimming kits will be needed on Mondays for those swimming and Wellies and waterproofs for those attending Forest Schools on Tuesdays. It is Christmas Jumper Day on Friday 8th December.





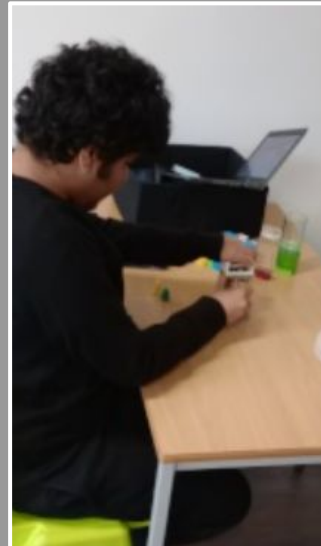
WRITE UP

In KS4 this week the pupils have been choosing places to go in their local community so most classes have chosen to go to the park this week. They have also continued to learn about War Horse by experiencing the trenches in the immersion room. Kayden, Pimmi and Zara were learning how to duck from the ball 'bombs' with support from their friends. Things are beginning to look a little bit Christmassy as the choir are practicing their carols and signing and Cooking pathway are starting to practice making some traditional Christmas treats which we are very excited to help them taste test.

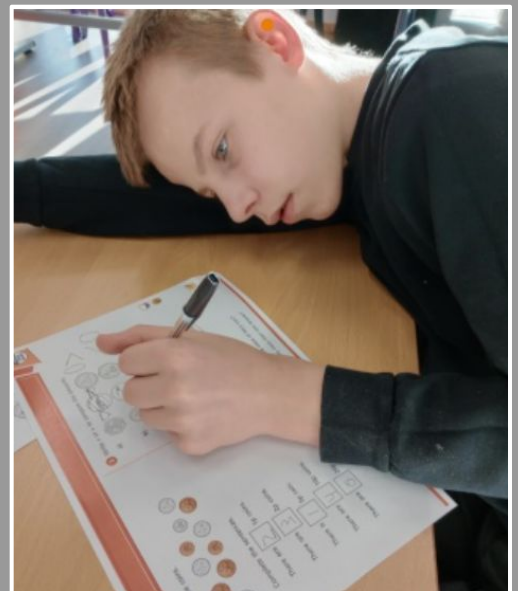
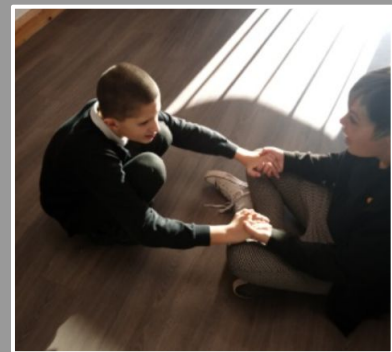


NOTICES

Christmas jumper day is next Friday the 8th December. Can we please make sure pupils are in their usual uniform until then.



Key Stage 4 Secondary School



MEMORABLE MOMENT

Kasper sat at a table and made himself two jam sandwiches and Enterprise pathway have been selling bacon and sausages cobs that have been very popular and have made some very professional looking Snowman soup that cost just £2.

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KS3 - Please remember your allotment clothes for Monday

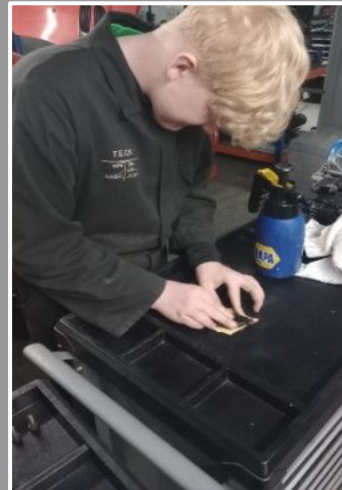
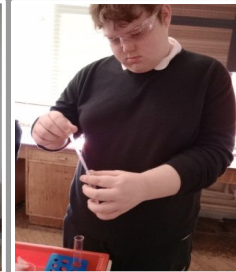
KS4- students have a trip to cafe Monday morning they need to bring money in.

The Hinckley School

MEMORABLE MOMENT

KS 3 - A member of Zeus drawing pictures that they liked for Hermes

KS 4 - Extracting strawberry DNA in the Science lab and making Tommy bread.



WRITE UP

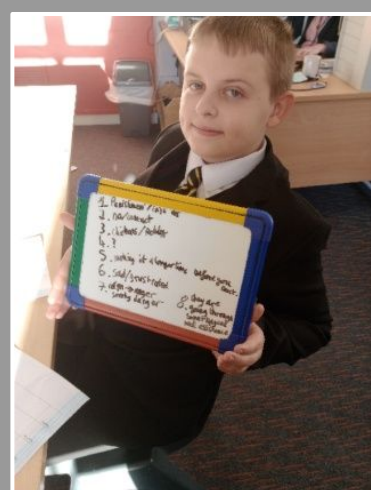
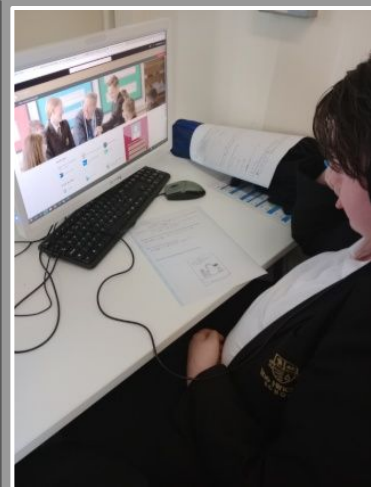
KS 3 - We have continued to look at healthy living, some students exercised and thought about how they felt after, others made a healthy fruit salad and tried frozen grapes. We discussed why it is important to stay healthy. In life skills students went to asda and cooked pizza. The students created paintings using vegetables in Art and started the Grinch play for Drama. Students did really well in Humanities and Science, in which they learnt about rainforests, animals and food chains. Students have been learning about time in maths and most have successfully started to understand the timings of their timetables. In RSE, Cameron made pillow by stitching two pieces of fabric together independently. Libby was very kind and drew members of the class pictures that they liked. The class were impressed. We ended the week with PE and opening our chocolate Christmas Calendar.

KS 4 - We visited the Atkins building and viewed the art exhibition there. They were fascinated by all the different pieces of art on display. Zeus went to the lab to complete a practical on extracting DNA from a strawberry, they all worked very hard! In ICT they discussed what they think technology will be like in the future. In Math they completed their second assessment which was on Time/Calendar and in English they have been looking at different parts of life in WW1.

WRITE UP

KS 3 - Eleos has worked hard learning about the story The Hound of the Baskervilles. This included watching a bit of a film, listening to the story and writing about different scenes in the story. We have enhanced our money knowledge by answering really tricky questions. They were hard, however everyone did complete their work! Yay!

KS 4 - Last Friday we enjoyed having the school to ourselves due to a training day in the main school. The students enjoyed activities such as; Arts and Crafts, dodgeball, bench ball and football. Will has enjoyed teaching his peers how to play chess and we have taken part in a quiz in Geography improving our knowledge on the world map.



Cleveland House



MEMORABLE MOMENT

KS 3 - Everyone going in the Ten Box at least TWICE!!!

KS 4 - Students engaging in their SCPD lesson when they were discussing emotions.



NOTICES

Please make sure winter clothes are in school, especially for Forest School on Monday!

MAINSTREAM COLLEGES - FOUNDATION & SUPPORTED LEARNING - STUDENTS WITH SEND

LEICESTER COLLEGE, ABBEY PARK CAMPUS, LEICESTER

Students with moderate learning difficulties (MLD) - Supported & Inclusive Learning

A range of Future Pathways courses – build confidence & independence, develop practical life skills, improve social skills and the ability to work with others, develop skills for work

Courses include Transition into Further Education, Employability & Personal Development, Leicester College Internship and Leicester Works Programme (Supported Internships)

Entry Level 3 courses:

C7390 Certificate in Introduction to Hospitality Industry

C0816 Leicester Work Programme (SEND)

C0815 Preparing for work (SEND)

C0812 Transition into Further Education (supported learning)

C2226 Launch pad

Address: Abbey Park campus,
Painter Street Leicester LE1 3WA
Telephone: 0116 224 2240
Email: info@leicestercollege.ac.uk
<https://leicestercollege.ac.uk/>

NORTH WARWICKSHIRE & SOUTH LEICESTERSHIRE COLLEGE, NUNEATON, WARWICKSHIRE; SOUTH WIGSTON & HARROWBROOK ESTATE, HINCKLEY, LEICESTERSHIRE

RARPA foundation learning

For students with EHCP aged 19-25 years – Entry level 1 to Level 1. Designed to build essential skills for work and everyday living. Opportunities to explore different subjects, discover interests and explore career paths they may wish to pursue. Flexible course to meet student need, own individual targets. This may include work in the community and project work. College taster sessions eg carpentry, floristry, childcare, construction, cooking, horticulture, hair & beauty, health & social care, performing arts. Work experience and employability skills.

Independent living and life skills. Based at both the Nuneaton and Wigston campus

Life Works Unit:

Primary goal is to transition students into either employment, supported internships or a college course/qualification. Students have individual programmes and a substantial part of that will be work experience – support to identify subjects student is interested in and to help them pursue career opportunities in that area. Opportunities to develop college run businesses within the Life Works hub eg tuckshop and pop up businesses. Independent living skills, photography and filmmaking, business planning, food hygiene/cooking, English and maths, teamwork and leadership. A training flat where students learn how to cope in the wider world. Chill out zone. Office space. Café. Tuck shop. Carpentry workshop. Based at the Nuneaton campus

Entry Level 3/Foundation courses:

Foundation Construction Trades

Foundation Hospitality

Nuneaton Campus: Hinckley Road,
Nuneaton, CV11 6BH
Telephone: 0330 058 3000
Email: enquiries@nwslc.ac.uk
<https://www.nwslc.ac.uk/>

SMB GROUP: STEPHENSON (Coalville), MELTON (Melton Mowbray) & BROOKSBY (Brooksby) COLLEGES, LEICS

Foundation Learning

Students with EHCPs working at entry level 2 or 3. Hands on and vocational with emphasis on building skills and confidence in a familiar and supportive environment.

Independent living skills. Maths & English. Personal & social development intervention programme. Specialism hospitality & catering, animal care, horticulture, construction. Supported Internships

ADDRESS: STEPHENSON COLLEGE, Coalville

Campus, Thornborough Road, Coalville, LE67 3TN

Telephone: 01530 836136

Email: services@stephensoncoll.ac.uk

www.stephensoncoll.ac.uk

GATEWAY COLLEGE, HAMILTON, LEICESTER

The college has a fully integrated provision for students with learning disabilities and difficulties.

Learning for life & work (LLW)

Course is designed for preparing for adulthood: employability, independent living, health & fitness, friends and relationships.

Dedicated, specialist staff, educational care support workers, workshop areas, garden area, kitchen & pop up café area, pod areas with IT facilities, discrete classroom area for multi

skills, safe area to work 1:1, access to all floors, disabled/changing toilet areas, summer house to practise independent living skills, sweet market shop to develop employability skills. Majority of teaching and learning takes place within one pod area so students feel safe and secure. Offers business administration, creative arts & media, English, maths, Health & Social Care, Information Technology (IT), Multi skills, personal & social development, public services & fitness, retail, science, supported internships.

ADDRESS: 17 Colin Grundy Drive, Hamilton, Leicester, LE5 1GA

Telephone: 0116 274 4500

Email: studentservices@gateway.ac.uk

<https://www.gateway.ac.uk/>

Parents/Carers/Students interested to know more about Apprenticeships and T Levels

National Apprenticeship Week takes place 5th to 10th February 2024. The ASK Programme are offering a range of FREE webinars that week where you can find out about Apprenticeships and T Levels. You can view the collection of webinars on the link below. These include those for parents/carers and, if interested, from employers about what they offer. Follow the links to register your interest.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/naw-2024-the-ask-programme-550109>



We are looking for prizes for our tombola stall we will have at the Christmas Market on 15th December. Please can we ask that any donations are new and in their original packaging.

We are looking for the following items:

Toys/Games

Chocolates (no nuts please)



Gift sets



wine



Do you (or someone you know) have a small business that would be interested in having a stall at our Christmas Market on Friday 15th December. Please contact the office for more information.



CHRISTMAS MARKET