Headteachers Comments

Friday 1st March 2024

The first week back has flown by and it has been great to see the pupils engaging with their learning. Dan was learning about fossils – even though he had finished the activity he was happy to take me back to his learning and explain how fossils were created. He read the information and was able to use this to answer my questions and to work out how things were happening. In Hercules class the fossil fuel theme continued and the pupils were exploring the impact that mining can have on the environment with Liam working on using his reading skills to find out about different types of energy and how the use of this was developing. Eggs were being cooked in the kitchen – Noah was following the instructions to create scrambled eggs, mixing the eggs and the milk and then using the hob to cook these off. Ty was boiling his egg and explained that he was waiting for the water to be hot so that the egg would be cooked. Poseidon class were sightseeing around London and did a fantastic job at naming the landmarks with Apollo class talking about the food and music that they liked, waiting for each other to answer with some real enthusiasm from Seb about his favourite music – Meatloaf and Bethany who likes chips with barbecue sauce.

Over this week we have been fortunate to receive two donations. Jonathan and I joined the Rotary Club dinner where we were presented with a generous donation that we will be using to develop the love of reading for the pupils at the primary site. Tesco also visited this week to provide us with some paint which the pupils enjoyed using straight away. As always the support from the community lets us do extra things with the pupils so a massive thank you to both groups.

A reminder that we have parents evening coming up on 12th March and look forward to seeing you there please book appointments on Arbor.

Date	Event	Info
Mon 4th - Fri 8th Mar	Redridge residential Trip	For Year 9 students
Tues 12th Mar	Parents Evening & Moving on Fair	Details below
Mon 18th - Fri 22nd Mar	PGL residential trip	For Richmond Base Year 6 students
Mon 25th Mar - Fri 5th Apr	Easter Break	School closed to students

TRAFFIC REMINDERS

Please be thoughtful to our neighbours when dropping off and collecting pupils from school. There is a one way system at the Primary School, please adhere to this. All vehicles must adhere to the 5mph speed limit in our car parks. Please be cautious when exiting any of DGS car parks, <u>give way</u> to pedestrians when exiting.





For World Book Day students based at **Primary School, Richmond Base, Secondary School** and **New Lubbesthorpe** can dress up as a character from their favourite book.

LUNCHES w/c 4th March Week 1 Menu

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

Primary School Meals: £2.30 per day Secondary School Meals: £2.55 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.

DOROTHY GOODMAN SCHOOL PARENTS EVENING AND MOVING ON EVENT



TUESDAY 12 MARCH 2024 3.30 TO 6:30PM (MOVING ON EVENT FINISHES AT 6PM)

Booking for parents evening is now open. Full details of times and location have been emailed to you. We will also

be hosting our annual Moving on event at Barwell Lane, this is open to all students at Dorothy Goodman School.

This is an excellent opportunity for you to meet with providers under one roof to explore potential pathways post

Dorothy Goodman, gather information to make informed decisions, begin to build relationships and network.

The Tombola is always one of our most popular stalls. Do you have any NEW unwanted gifts you can donate to our Summer Fayre tombola? *toiletries *toys *books *games *sweets and chocolates (NUT FREE)*gift sets



10am - 1pm

Dorothy Goodman Secondary School,

s Barwell Lane, Hinckley, LE101S We cannot accept alcohol for the tombola but would be grateful of any donations of wine for our 'Water or Wine' stall.



Young people have been discussing how they would like to raise money for additional resources for their sites this half-term. Following from their class debates their student council representative feed their views back at the School Council Meeting. Please see the events listed below and dates/times for you to attend. If you would like to join us please click on the link so we know to expect you.

WANTED

Date	Time	Location	Event
Wed 13th March	10am - 12noon	Secondary School	Easter Bingo & Coffee morning
Tue 19th March	2 - 3pm	Primary School	KS2 Coffee Afternoon
Wed 20th March	10:30am - 12:30pm	6th Form	Breakfast Morning
Fri 22nd March	2 - 3pm	Primary School	KS1 Coffee Afternoon

Please complete this form for Student Council Spring 2024 Events Attendance

OTHER NOTICE

School Transport Applications 2024/25 - It is important that parents apply for transport assistance as early as possible. LCC will endeavour to arrange transport for the start of the new academic year for all applications **LCC** School received by the respective closing dates: Ages 16-18, 31st Mar / New School Age, 31st May **Transport Policies**

HPV VACCINATIONS (YEAR 8 AND ABOVE)

How to give your consent decision for the vaccinations. Make a note of the code for your school. For Dorothy Goodman School Hinckley the school code is LE138156

Visit www.leicsandrutlandimms.co.uk or scan the QR code using your smartphone camera to

go straight to the website. Select HPV Vaccination and enter the school code.



🚵 INCLUSIVE CLUB

Come and have fun, try some activities; tennis, gym, curling, dance £2/morning.

Meet friends, have a drink & biscuits

AT SPORT in DESFORD

10.30-12.30; 2nd Monday and Last Tuesday every month

MINI BUS LEAVES Salvation Army/ Library Hinckley at 10.00 and Library at Earl Shilton at 10.15 and will bring you back at 12.30. Bus is free.

SFN football

There is soon to be a new SEN football team starting at Saffron Dynamo Football Club in Cosby. The club is looking for 11 to 13 year olds to train on either a Friday evening or a Saturday morning. If you are interested, please contact Steve Martin on:

stevemartin1988@vahoo.co.uk



Leicestershire County Council

Leicestershire Local Offer **Special Educational Needs and Disabilities** Roadshow



Wednesday 20th March 2024 10.00am - 1.00pm

Gorse Covert Community Centre, Loughborough, LE11 4RZ

Come along and find out about Local SEND services and support

The Roadshow brings together information and services which support families of children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) all in one place. A chance to meet and chat with representatives from Leicestershire County Council and its partners.

Please book your FREE tickets via https://leicestershirecc-self.achieveservice.com/ en/service/Local_Offer_SEND_Roadshows_2024 Free parking available

To find out more about the SEND Local Offer in Leicestershire please visit www.leics.gov.uk/send Leicestershire

SEND Hub Leicestershire **SEND** Hub **COFFEE AND CONNECTIONS** For parents run by parents

A group for parents and carers of SEND children in Leicestershire.

10:30-12:00pm drop in second and fourth Friday of the month

> 8th March, 22nd March, 12th April, 26th April, 10th May, 24th May, 14th June, 28th June

Children of all ages welcome

@ The Hub. Tay Road, New Lubbesthorpe, **LE19 4BF**

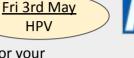
All welcome - join us for a hot drink and biscuits a chat and, information

To find out more about Leicestershire SEND Hub visit www.leicestershiresendhub.org.uk

or scan the QR code to join our private parent/carer support group on Facebook



For queries please contact: admin@leicestershiresendhub.org.uk







New Lubbesthorpe



MEMORABLE MOMENT Pupils responding positively to lots of changes this week.







NOTICES

if you are happy to, please send in photos of your child's home for our history topic. Thank you



WRITE UP

Tigers and Turtles have enjoyed starting their new topics this week. In history, we started looking at houses and how they are differentwe began to think about how our houses are different to a gingerbread house! In science, we started to learn about the impact that we have on the planet and how we need to help by recycling. We enjoyed sorting the rubbish out into different materials. In PSHE, we had lots of fun learning about road safety, pretending to be a lollipop person to stop the traffic and help our friends cross the road.













WRITE UP

Key Stage 1 Primary School



MEMORABLE MOMENT Making Gingerbread People with Playdough





This week in Key Stage 1 we have started to explore our new text The Gingerbread Man the children have been enjoying using the role play kitchens to make their own gingerbread and retell the story. In Science we have been experimenting with the Science of food and getting messy making gloop. In Math's the children have used stretchy resources to explore long and short.













CLASS NOTICES Next Thursday is World Book Day. Children are welcome to come in dressed up as their favourite book character..

Key Stage 2 Primary School

MEMORABLE MOMENT

The children have loved seeing the new reading hut going up.













WRITE UP

We have started looking at our new book- Iggy Peck architect. The children have enjoyed building a variety of things out of bread and biscuits. In science we have been looking at how we can help sea animals by making sure we pick up our rubbish. The children have enjoyed saving animals from pollution.



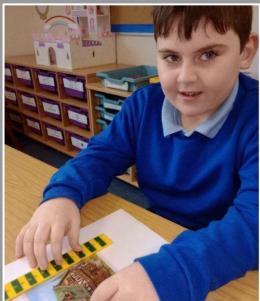
NOTICES

World book day on Thursday. The children are welcome to dress up!





MEMORABLE MOMENT Creating bug hotels in science



Richmond Base



NOTICES

Recycling tubes and boxes to be brought in for modelling project please.



A great week back at Richmond. The children spent time designing their own castles in history in preparation for their junk modelling project. This links to their new class book " Iggy Peck architect". In English, they used their problem solving skills and developed language through creating towers from spaghetti and marshmallows.















MEMORABLE MOMENT Cheering on our peers in the Football Match against Fusion School on Wednesday. Well Done Barwell Lane team!!!











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.





WEEKLY WRITE UP

In Art we enjoyed looking at the work of Antoni Gaudi and created some stained glass window displays inspired by the Sagrada Familia. Some of us really liked watching a tour of the church and thought it was beautiful and unique. In RE we have learnt about Mecca and why Muslims travel there for Haji, some of us explored the pilgrimage through a sherborne story. Some of us got very muddy at Forest Schools this week, lots of fun had enjoying keeping our balance in the mud.

WEEKLY WRITE UP

Our students have returned from their break refreshed and ready to learn. We have taken part in lots of sporty activities this week as a key stage. These include visiting the fields gym, a football match against fusion and working hard on our path to paris journey. We have started to explore measurement and this has been looked at in many different ways. Some students have explored measuring themselves while others have followed measurement recipes to create food. Overall a very positive first week back to school.

NOTICES

Students who access the gym, swimming etc to remember kit





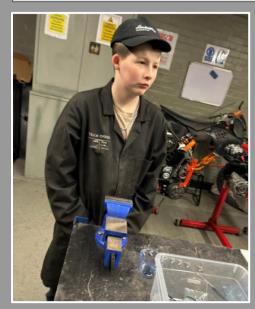




MEMORABLE MOMENT Students taking part in the football match against other sites. Although DGS didn't win they showed great sportsmanship and worked really hard during the match..











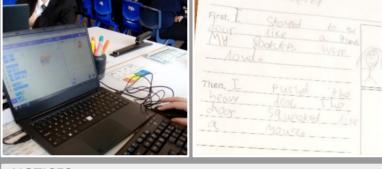
WRITE UP - Key Stage 3

This week Hermes class have started looking at buildings in art, some of the class created a house out of cardboard in a group project. A few of us joined Barwell Lane at the Leisure centre. In English we continue to look at poetry and experienced a sensory story 'Overheard in a Tower Block'. This is a great collection of poems and it was made even better to see the author Joseph Coelho read them for us. In History we have started to learn about the Great Fire of London and in RSE we have discovered lots of amazing facts about different cities. Thomas loved looking at a timeline about the history of London. In Maths we have been learning about measuring perimeters, ready for when we need to make sure the portion of cake we get is accurate! Connor.S and Cameron had fantastic Annual Reviews and have both said they have really enjoyed their move to The Hinckley School and have made lots of friends.

MEMORABLE MOMENTS Coding on Scratch for ICT & performing our rhyming poems to each other

The Hinckley School Key Stage 3 (inc. Eleos)





NOTICES

We would like to start a sensory garden in Eleos, so any donations of unused gardening equipment will be great.

MEMORABLE MOMENTS

Students started cookery in the life skills they all worked well together and cleaned up completely after themselves.

WRITE UP - Key Stage 4

Students have been working very hard for the first week back starting new topics in Math and English, students have also been having some excellent debates in Humanities. In art they have starting making some incredible sculptures.





The Hinckley School <u>Key Stage 4</u>



WRITE UP

Students have settled back into school after their half term break. Kyle was delighted to share with us about his time in New York with his fellow media students; it was lovely to hear the positive feedback from staff about his independence and interactions with others. During the week students have completed a range of lessons and activities including table tennis, science experiments and SCPD where we discussed mental health and what strategies we can use to support ourselves.

Cleveland House

MEMORABLE MOMENT A fantastic football session with some great goals by Carter and Kian.

















MOVING ON



Access this link to find out about labour market information in your area:

https://llep.org.uk/skills/information-resources-for-education-professionals/district-snapshots/

The world of work

The world of work is continually changing, and you might wonder what future employment opportunities will look like. Looking at trends, the area around you, and the different ways in which we work can help you to plan your career.

What is the 'labour market'?

Labour market information can tell you:

- ↑What jobs and skills employers are looking for
- ↑Which industries are recruiting and where they are located
- ↑The number of people in certain types of jobs
- ↑Growing or declining job areas and general employment trends

See the grid opposite for some key factors that can affect the labour market.

Work facts for the 21st century

Lots of new jobs are going to be created over the next 15 years. How much do you know about the jobs listed below? They are all out there right now!

NANO-MEDICINE TECHNICIAN

DRONE TRAFFIC OPTIMISER

CYBER SECURITY SOFTWARE DEVELOPER

AVATAR TUTOR BROKER

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE ENGINEER

GREEN FUNERAL DIRECTOR

The majority of jobs available now and in the future require at least level 3 qualifications because many roles are increasingly using advanced technology.

What is STEM?

STEM stands for science, technology, engineering and maths. Employers value the skills you develop in STEM subjects and careers. Why? Because there are going to be more skilled jobs available in these areas in the future and young people like you will be needed to do those jobs. Being creative is also important, to be innovative in solving challenges.

What kind of STEM jobs exactly?

Some really exciting ones! Just think, you could be responsible for:

 ↑Inventing a new low carbon transport
 ↑Curing an illness or disease ↑Creating the biggest video game of all time
 ↑Building the tallest tower in the world