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# Weekly Bulletin

8TH OCTOBER 2021



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## Executive Head



Dear parents and carers,

Thank you all for all your support this week - it really has been a team effort!

On Wednesday morning we had the National School harvest festival at St Wulfram's. Your generosity never ceases to amaze me and we made a considerable contribution to Grantham food bank. The service was well attended by parents, carers and families and we all enjoyed the musical entertainment from the choirs and musicians.

Parents' evenings were at Harrowby School on Wednesday and Thursday. Thank you very much to all the parents who attended and followed our covid precaution of wearing masks when they were waiting or moving around school. We are very aware that covid is in our community and we are working hard to ensure that our schools are disrupted as little as possible.

Today, the children look bright and cheerful in their yellow clothing. This is to raise awareness of mental health issues and more information can be found on:



<https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/campaigns/world-mental-health-day>.

Mental health and wellbeing is something we take very seriously at both our schools for children and staff. CALMS (Connect, Active, Learning, Mindfulness and Support) is a tool we use for adults and children, to promote the five steps to mental wellbeing.

We have many initiatives which go across both our schools, obviously in an age appropriate way. At Harrowby and National, we aim to work very much as a through primary and you will be aware of staff moving between schools and also working across schools. We still have places in both schools and also in our preschool provision at Harrowby. Our preschool provision is run by Miss Ebb and you are welcome to make an appointment to look around at any time. At the moment, we are able to offer 30 hours a week to preschool aged children if required for no cost. We operate an open door policy at both schools - please just ring for an appointment and we will be happy to show all the amazing things that are going on!

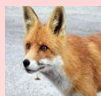
At the National, if you have not already signed up for a parents' evening slot then your child will come home with an allocated time slot. If this is not convenient please ring the office and they will reschedule for you.

Peace be with you,

Mrs Comerford



# News from Harrowby Infant School

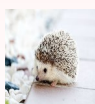


## Fox Class - Pre school / Reception



In Fox class this week the children were very excited to receive a visit from Bella the Cockapoo.

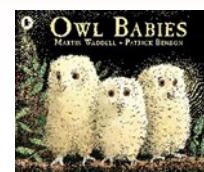
The children enjoyed lots of cuddles and play with Bella and look forward to another visit from her soon.



## Hedgehog Class - KS1

This week in Hedgehog Class the children have been looking at the book Owl Babies as part of their English learning. The children have designed a home for the owl babies and a lost poster for the mother owl.

In Maths they have been concentrating on number bonds 10 to 100.



## Trust Christian Values

We are delighted to have our Christian Values showcased in the school hall. These were designed by pupils and staff at The National Junior School when, as a Trust we first took on our Christian Values



## Harrowby Infant school

If you know of anyone with a child starting school in September 2022, we still have places available in our Pre-School. Places are available for 2021—2022 intake. Apply via the School Office.

Tel: 01476 564417  
Email: [Harrowbyinfo@thnatrust.org.uk](mailto:Harrowbyinfo@thnatrust.org.uk)



## Reception School Admissions - Opens 15th November 2021

If you know of anyone who has a child starting school next September, please do spread the word and ask them to contact the School Office to book a visit at their convenience.

Face masks are requested whilst walking around our school within school times.



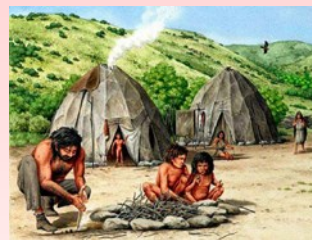
# News from The National School

## Year 3

Year 3 had a great day on Monday, learning about life as Stone Age Hunter-Gatherer. We looked at different types of houses and made our own.

The children then looked at different types of food that was eaten in the Stone Age, and how it was hunted or gathered. We made tools and weapons from cardboard and then took them to the paddock to hunt and gather their food for their families back at home.

We used this experience to write a recount.



## Year 5

Thank you to all parent / carers that have made their voluntary contribution towards the scheduled trip to Burghley house on 20th October 2021. We really hope this trip can go ahead and are asking for a voluntary contribution of £12.70 per child. Should enough contributions not be made we will unfortunately have to cancel the trip and this would be a real shame having waited a very long time to go on a trip.

We apologise for technical issue in our PGL questionnaire that was sent out on parent mail, this was resolved quickly and we thank you for the replies we have received so far, we would ask that all parents reply to this by end of school today. This will help us forward plan an exiting trip.



## Year 6

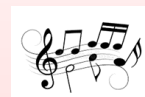
It was wonderful last week to go into church and sit for a few minutes under the South Pole and gaze at the magnificence of our Planet Earth! Many children enjoyed the accompanying activities looking at the bees and spotting the Queen and viewing through the Virtual reality goggles!

Thank you so much to all of the children in Year 6 who have settled well into their learning both in class and by completing homework and reading and quizzing.

In our learning this week we have been working very hard with our long division strategies, hopefully your child has found their 'favourite' way of calculating! In English this week we have been focusing on looking at Greek Myths and learning what makes a good descriptive setting.

## Music

What an amazing Harvest Service this week. It was fabulous to hear the Junior and Senior Choir perform and the amazing National St. Wulfram Choristers. Thank you too to the children who played their flutes too – you all have such amazing talent!



## Bronze Young Ambassador

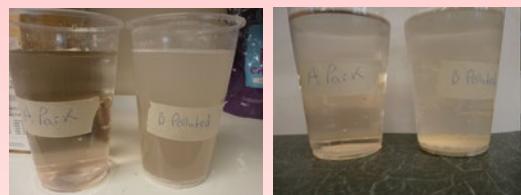
Congratulations to Imogen, Mollie, Jacob and Dexter who have been chosen as our Bronze Young Ambassadors this year. We are confident all four of them will be fantastic representatives of our school and sport. They will be working closely with Inspire+ to develop in their new role and will have their first session of training soon.



## Childcare Club at the National



This week's themes were Climate Change - two STEM experiments, one on the subject of Pollution - there are some interesting looking pots on the shelf! As you can see from the before and after photos, the pollutant settled to the bottom and the liquid changed from pink to yellow due to the pH of the pollutant. The other experiment was about Flight - any excuse for a paper aeroplane or helicopter is better than none.



Our Autumn craft activities continue so we have a lovely display of Leaf Doodles and Autumn Leaf Window artwork. We are still adding to the Crazy Golf Course. I am looking forward to being allowed to play! When the weather has been fine, and not so fine, both boys and girls have been playing football and running laps for the Daily Mile Challenge. I keep entering our PE activities on the Aldi Travel to Tokyo website to try and win one of the weekly prizes - this week there is a Judo Lesson up for grabs.

On the subject of Travel to Tokyo, we have the link to the final set of surveys. We need at least 30 responses to qualify for a reward. Your child does not need to attend CCC for you to be able to respond. The equipment we buy is available for use throughout the school, so please take two minutes to complete the survey. We really appreciate your help.

Please, I know the deadline for booking for Monday is 3 pm Sunday afternoon, but could we ask you to try to book for the following week by 3pm on Friday so we can prepare a register for Monday? If there are any problems or changes to bookings, please use [nationalchildcare@thnatrust.org.uk](mailto:nationalchildcare@thnatrust.org.uk) to let me know. For last minute changes or when you get stuck in traffic, please ring 01476 563895, and prior to 15:30 talk to the office, or after 15:30 choose CCC from the menu and speak to us directly.

Ms Page Senior CCC Supervisor

## Pastoral News

Just keep Swimming !



The Pastoral Team have 4 new members! Thank you to all the children who suggested names.

Welcome **Collin, Mr Pineapple, Andy and Tiffany**

Spelling Shed		Maths Shed	
League winner Spelling Shed		League winner Maths Shed	
Year 3	GP	Year 3	GP
Year 4	PG	Year 4	PG
Year 5	RP	Year 5	RP
Year 6	VS	Year 6	VS

