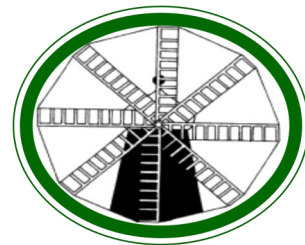


Heckington St Andrew's Church of England Primary School Newsletter

10th February 2022



Dear Parents / Carers,

This week, the children have been involved in Safer Internet Day 2022. This is a global campaign to promote the safe and responsible use of technology, which calls on everyone to join together in helping to create a better internet. We are constantly teaching the children about how to stay safe online but Safer Internet Day is a really good opportunity for us to re-emphasise the online safety messages we deliver throughout the year.

We would really appreciate your support with this by continuing the conversation about staying safe online at home. To help you with this, you may be interested in downloading the free Safer Internet Day Resources for Parents and Carers which is available at: [Advice for parents and carers - UK Safer Internet Centre](#). There are top tips, quizzes, and films which you can use at home with your child.

We have also created a dedicated page on our school website for online safety which the children can access and which will help to educate, promote and support online safety. This page has several links on it that will offer the children advice and guidance, as well as fun game-based education for online safety. We would encourage you to explore this page further with your children and it can be accessed here: [Online Safety - Heckington St Andrew's Church of England Primary School](#)

We have also been taking part this week in children's mental health week with the children exploring the theme of growing together. Growing Together is about growing emotionally and finding ways to help each other grow. Challenges and setbacks can help us to grow and adapt and trying new things can help us to move beyond our comfort zone into a new realm of possibility and potential. However, emotional growth is often a gradual process that happens over time, and sometimes we might feel a bit 'stuck'. We have been exploring this week what it means to grow together and as parents and carers you play an important role in your child's mental health. You can access some free resources here: <https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/parents-and-carers/>.

We will be holding our parent consultation evenings in the week of 28th February. The booking system for this will open straight after the half term holiday so please look out for a message on Parent Pay.

Finally, I hope you all have a lovely half term holiday next week and we look forward to seeing the children back in school

Yours sincerely,

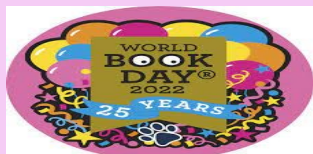
Mrs J Bentley

Head Teacher

It is the 25th anniversary of World Book Day on Thursday the 3rd of March.

To celebrate, we would like the children to dress up as a character from a favourite book and come prepared to convince the class why they should read their chosen book. Should children not wish to dress up, they can wear non school uniform.

We ask that children bring a donation of £1 for non-uniform/dressing up and this money will go towards buying books for school. We will also have other activities such as a cake sale and book swap, with further details and information to follow after half term.



After school sports clubs starting next term
Mondays KS2 Hockey - Tuesday KS2 Girls Football

Bookings open at 4pm today

<https://heckingtonstrewscofe.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

PE Timetable Term 4

PE days change every term to enable the children to play different sports with the outside coaches we have coming into school.

Oak	Tuesday	
Maple	Monday	Thursday
Willow	Monday	Wednesday
Chestnut	Tuesday	Friday
Rowan	Monday	Thursday
Silver Birch	Monday	Friday
Hazel	Tuesday	Thursday

Diary dates

11.02.22	Last day of term
15.02.22	Cut off to order school meals
21.02.22	First day of term
w/c 28.02.22	Parent consultations evenings
03.03.22	World Book Day
04.03.22	Star Lincs Planetarium Year 3
7-11.03.22	Hilltop Residential Trip Year 6

Look at these wonderful pop-up books Silver Birch made in their DT project!

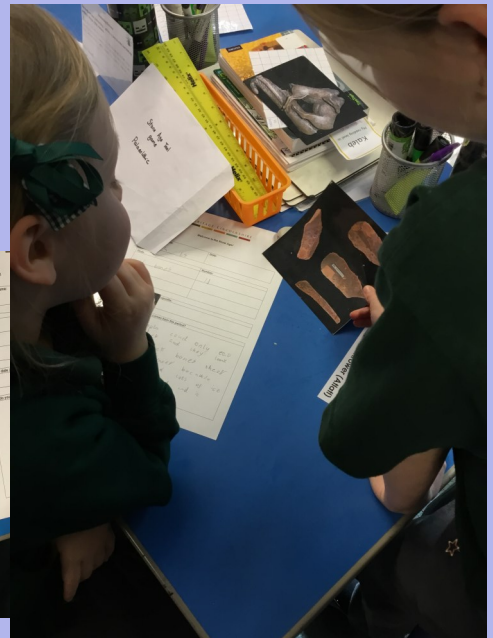
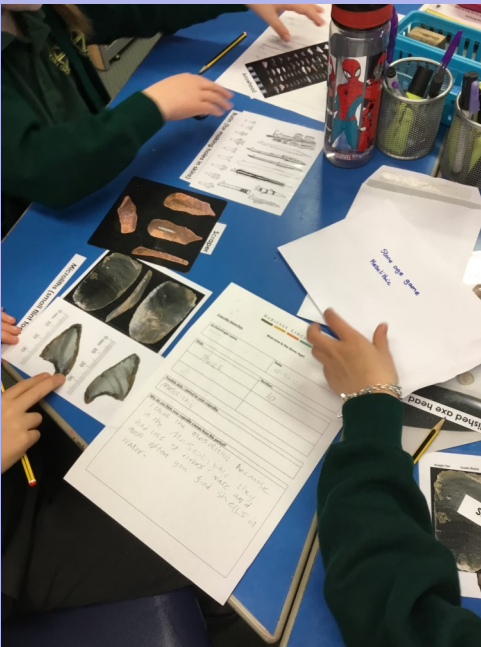
Silver Birch read them to children in Oak class, who loved looking at the books and listening to the stories.



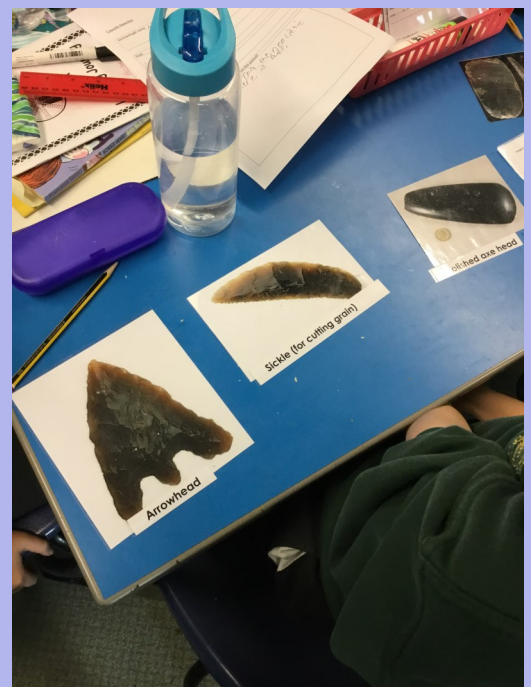
Eco club news!

The Eco club raised £65.00 from their bake sale. The money will go towards new resources for gardening. Thank you for supporting them!

Chestnut class



We took part in a Stone Age workshop. We looked at the difference between the Palaeolithic, Mesolithic and Neolithic periods by studying copalites (Stone Age poo), artefacts and tools.



We got the chance to create our own tools by knapping. We didn't use flint though, as it is much too sharp. We used soap. We had a great afternoon. We learned a great deal and had lots of fun.

Half term activity ideas

February Half-Term Family Activities



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Coggesford Watermill—FREE

Open Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday, 12pm-4pm

Milling Demonstration: Sunday 13 February

During Half-Term, you can also collect materials and instructions to make your own riverside mini-museum!

www.coggesfordwatermill.co.uk - Twitter: @coggesford

Navigation House—FREE

Open Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday, 10am-2pm

During Half-Term, collect materials and instructions to make your own mini-museum from items collected from the beautiful riverside!

www.navigationhouse.co.uk - Twitter: @navigationhouse



Cranwell Aviation Heritage Museum—FREE

Open Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday, 10am-3pm

Our mascot Charlie the Crane is playing Hide & Seek around the museum—can you find him? Please note the museum will be closed on Monday 14 February.

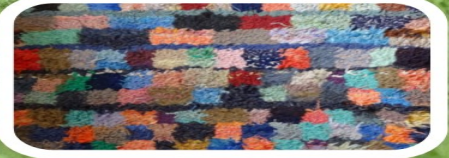
www.cranwellaviation.co.uk - Twitter: @cranwellmuseum

Mrs Smith's Cottage—please book through the website

Open Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday, 12pm-4pm

Rag Rug Workshops: Monday 14 and Friday 18 February: our Learning Officer Sally will be leading some rag-rug workshops; once you've learned the basic technique you can use your skills to create a variety of items! You can also collect instructions for making your own nest box from recycled materials from the lovely shop.

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Holiday club for all children who qualify for free school meals



HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AND FOOD

Free holiday programme for children aged 5-16 years eligible for benefits-related free school meals

A variety of activities at each club from fun and games, sports, arts & crafts, cooking, music, drama and much more. All clubs include a choice of healthy meals.

For more information see <https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/school-pupil-support/holiday-activities-food-programme>

or email HAF@lincolnshire.gov.uk

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