Heckington St Andrew's Church of England Primary School Newsletter



14th July 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

I do you hope you will join us for our Summer Fayre after school today; a huge thank you to the PTFA for all their hard work in organising it!

I can't believe that we are into the last week of the school year next week! On Friday 22nd July, we would like to invite the parents of the Year 6 children to join us at St. Andrew's Church for their leavers' service which will start at 2.00 p.m. We do hope you will be able to join us as we send them off onto their new adventures at secondary school.

Finally, children will no longer be bringing their topic work home at the end of each school year as we have moved to a more 'subject specific' curriculum and away from 'topics'. Children will have a book per subject that will move through the school with them, and at the end of their time in Year 6, they will bring their books home to share with you.

We are hopeful that we can return to normality in school next year and have more in person parents' evenings, class worships and drop ins where you can see your children's wonderful work, over the course of the year.

Yours sincerely Mrs J Bentley Head Teacher



The children have enjoyed drawing and colouring these beautiful fence decorations in support of Heckington in Bloom



Diary dates

14.07.22 PTFA Summer Fayre 3.30pm

15.07.22 St George's Taster day - Y5 whole class

18.07.22 Willow class trip to White Post Farm

18.07.22 Y3-6 Sponsored swim

19.07.22 Y2 Sponsored swim

19.07.22 Year 6 Leaver's party 4.30pm-6.30pm

22.07.22 Year 6 Leaver's assembly—Church 2pm (Y6 parents only)

22.07.22 End of term

Heckington Community
Swimming Pool

Sponsored swim

Year 3-6 Monday 18th July

Year 2 Tuesday 19th July.

Swimming kits will be needed on these days. Please wear sunhats and waterproof sun cream

Any support would be greatly appreciated to help raise much needed funds



Chestnut class trip to the Sea life Centre in Hunstanton













Last week, Silver Birch were incredibly honoured to attend a visit to the Houses of Parliament. This trip coincided with a huge political event that will go down in history and the children have been enthusiastically discussing the recent events in our government.

The trip to London was a long one but a lot of fun was had on the coach, and a fair few sing alongs!

In the capital city we were delighted to receive a tour narration by our Cropley's driver and spotted some blue plaques as we reached our destination. We were dropped off right outside the Houses of Parliament so were able to go straight into our tour. We split into two groups and wore headsets to listen to and interact with our respective tour guides, Dwayne and Caroline. There were some incredible features within the building including a light up display showing the tide of the Thames, the spot where Charles I was sentenced to death and the incredible statue of Winston Churchill that MPs used to rub the foot of for good luck- it has worn away, so no-one is allowed to touch the statues now!

Photography was not allowed in many parts of parliament, but we were honoured to sit in on a debate in action. A couple of grown ups were in trouble for sitting on the green benches in the House of Commons- you aren't allowed to sit on them! We stood right by Boris' seat and at the box at which he speaks. The rooms were much smaller than they appear on TV and there are cameras, mics and speakers everywhere! We learned that lots of MPs get in trouble for looking like they are sleeping but they are in fact leaning back to listen to the speakers in the backs of the seats (we hope!).

After an incredible tour inside parliament, we made our way to the education centre and took part in some debates of our own. While we were in there we could see that another debate was happening in parliament around the reuniting of Ukrainian refugees with their families, and another discussion around Child Benefit. It was amazing to see how much actually happens there every day that doesn't make the news!

After our workshop we took to Victoria Tower Park gardens where we could view the Thames and sit on the grass to eat our picnic lunch. We had just enough time to take a walk by Westminster Abbey, and across the Thames to see the London Eye.

A final pit stop was made at the services on the M25 where we spent some of our money on food to keep us going for the long journey home. We made it back to school for 7:30pm!

We are extremely grateful to our adult helpers who joined us. A special thank you to Mrs Ingham, Mr Allen, Miss Marsh, and Mr Allen Sr for spending the day with us.

A huge thank you to our Silver Birch classmates and families for enabling this amazing opportunity to happen. Watch this space as Silver Birch become Hazel class and develop our democratic elections in the new school year.

A very proud Mrs Ruffy.



















On Friday last week a special sports festival was held to celebrate the Commonwealth Games.

Leading up to the event our Year 5 sports leaders were given the task to design a hockey-based event.

Unfortunately, they couldn't present their event at the festival as they were on a school trip that day so three of our Year 6s stepped in to lead the event.

At the end of the festival, after leading our event for all the participating schools ours was voted as the best by the participants!

For Year 6 girls



KIDS EAT FOR FREE OR LESS DURING SUMMER 2022

MORRISONS

Spend £4.99 to get a free kids meal after 3pm daily, normally all day during half term.

ASDA CAFE

Kids eat for £1 every day with NO need for a paying adult from 25th July - 4th Sept, 2022.

DUNELM

One free mini main, two snacks and a drink for every £4 spent in the instore cafe.

YO! Kids eat free from 3pm-5:30pm Mon-Thurs for every £10 spent on food.

BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE

Free breakfast for two children under 16 with every paying adult.

HUNGRY HORSE

Free kids breakfast with an adults breakfast from 9am-12pm daily.

IKEA

Get TWO kids hot meals, fruit, drink and jelly for £5 in their Swedish restaurants (subject to availability).

BELLA ITALIA

Kids eat for £1 with each adult meal from 4-6pm on Mon-Thurs.

DOBBIES

Kids eat free with an adult main meal.

TABLE TABLE

Two children under 16 get a free breakfast with one paying adult every day.

CAFE ROUGE

Kids eat for £1 with an adult meal excluding Saturday.

MORE TO COME!!

M&S, TESCO and more expected soon, see websites for latest information.