

Ryhall CE Academy News TERM DATES 2022

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

It has been a joy for all of us to welcome families and friends back into school and seeing more 'normal' life return.

So much has been achieved over the last 3 months and it is hard to believe that Easter is just around the corner.

The children have embraced opportunities to represent the school, to express themselves in music and dance, to perform and be creative, and to demonstrate empathy and compassion for those living in challenging circumstances.

Your children have been a credit to themselves, their families, and their school. We are very proud of them.

I would like to thank you all for your ongoing support and to wish you a very happy Easter.

Barbara O'Brien, Interim Headteacher

SUMMER TERM PREP **KINGSWOOD CATERING**

Don't forget to make your orders for the Spring Term. All orders must be made by Wednesday13th April. www.kingswoodcatering.co.uk

UNIFORM

Check all items still have names in and that shoes/trainers/plimsolls fit.

Wrap Around Care Please make bookings for Summer Term Week 1 by Wed 13th April.



May Dance Festival - Please

WEDNESDAY 25th May, times to be

confirmed, more details to follow

note this will take place on

AWARDS In Term 4, we have continued to enjoy giving out a number of awards – both for developments in reading or times tables or for something significant leading to a special Award. Finding the right momentum can sometimes be hard, but once again, many children have shown the necessary effort, determination and resilience to make good progress.

SILVER AWARDS Billy (Y1), Malia (Y1), Hattie (Y1), Georgie (Y2), Katie H (Y2), Ted J (Y2), Noah Pa (Y3), Ruby (Y5), Ailish (Y5), Jenson (Y5), Elin (Y5), Zuzanna (Y5), Elliot (Y6) **GOLD AWARDS** Woolsthorpe Class, Evie D (Y2), Ruby-Skye (Y5), Alysia(Y6) ACCELERATED READER AWARDS Ready Reader: Jackson (Y2), Thomas (Y2), Mason H (Y2), Lana (Y2), Jasper (Y2), Amelia (Y2), Georgie (Y2), Grace (Y2), Ava L (Y3), Tallulah (Y3), Texas-Rose (Y3), Tommy (Y3), Rudy (Y3), Reggie (Y3), Orlaith (Y3), Skyla K (Y3), Ethan (Y4), Kai (Y4), Richie (Y5) Independent Reader: Matteo (Y2), Theodore (Y2), Bella (Y3), Rudy (Y3), Ava A (Y3), Lily-Ella (Y3) Rising Reader: Esme (Y3), Ellena (Y3), Aggie (Y3), Samuel (Y4), Jenson (Y5) Super Reader: Gracie-May (Y5), Liam (Y5), Rose (Y6) Advanced Reader: Jessica (Y4), Lyla (Y6) Star Reader: Olivia (Y4), Anya (Y5) Classic Reader: Alessia (Y5), Holly(2nd) (Y3) END OF TERM CLASS DOJO LEADERS These awards will be distributed at the start of Summer Term 1. Belvoir - TOBY Belton – REUBEN W Rockingham – MATTEO Woolsthorpe - JESSICA Tolethorpe - ALESSIA Burghley - HOLLY

Hambleton - SOPHIA

TERM DATES 2022	
Term 5 begins	Tues 19 April
Belton Class (Y1) Open Classroom 3.00pm	Wed 20 April
Year 5 Swimming continues	Fri 22 April
After School/Lunch clubs start	Mon 25 April
Skip2Bfit Day	Mon 25 April
Woolsthopre Class Assembly followed by Open Afternoon (Y4) 2.45pm	Tue 26 April 2.45pm
Belton Class (Y1) Assembly 3.00pm	Wed 27 April
Parent/Teacher Consultations Year 1/3/4/5 (Virtual) 4.00-6.30pm	Wed 27 April
Parent/Teacher Consultations Year 1/3/4/5 (face-to-face0) 9.00am- 12.00noon	Thur 28 April
Bank Holiday School Closed	Mon 2 May
SATs Week	9-13 May
Burghley Class Assembly followed by Open Afternoon 2.45pm	Tue 10 May
Non Uniform Day for May Festival	Fri 20 May
May Dance Festival (Please note day)	Wed 25 May
Whole School Book Swap Shop	Thur 26 May
Term 5 Ends	Fri 27 May
Term 6 begins	Mon 6 June
Bold indicates events for parents to attend	

We would like to congratulate the following children on successfully completing and passing their piano exams. Well done to you all.

> Otto (Y6) Grade 1 piano - PASS

Emily (Y5) Grade 1 piano - MERIT

Esme (Y3) Grade 1 piano - MERIT

Art Club

Art club has been running every Tuesday after school since September but we will be taking a break over the summer term. We always enjoy getting creative with our mindful art activities. This term we explored the work of artists such as Michael Craig-Martin, David Hockney and Claude Monet and studied their techniques. We have then been inspired to create our own art using a range of tools and techniques including large scale painting, weaving and twig wrapping with yarns colour-matched to artists paintings. The warm weather also gave us a chance to get out in the school grounds and wildlife garden to sketch the different textures we could see in the signs of spring.



Woolsthorpe News

What a fantastic term we've had. Spring has sprung and Woolsthorpe have certainly outdone themselves, not only with their learning, but also with their acting and singing prowess in The Three Trees.

Throughout this term, the children have used our Geography learning about London to produce advertisements in English to promote River Thames cruises; designed, made and evaluated a Jack in the Box toy for Hamley's Toy Store and designed and pitched, to the Dragons Den, a new and futuristic London attraction and landmark.

Back to our performing, the children practiced hard, learnt lines and performed brilliantly for our three performances of The Three Trees. Despite, in some cases, having to stand in at the last minute, the children were extremely resilient and put on a tremendous performance. Well done to them all and thank you to the parental support they have received.





Hambleton News

This term, Hambleton class were whisked away to the unique and beautiful city of Venice. As geographers, we developed our knowledge of the physical geography of Europe and Italy; learning the names of famous mountains, rivers and cities, as well as locating them using our map skills. We then focused on Venice, learning about the locality, including the impact of tourism and flooding. In English, we studied the works of two classic authors, the play Romeo and Juliet by William Shakespeare and poem the Jabberwocky by Lewis Carroll. The children were truly inspired and wrote diaries in role as Lord Capulet, character descriptions of the Jabberwock and instructions to Alice to tell her how to escape Jabberwock territory. We were thrilled to have Romeo and Juliet drama workshops with Tolethorpe Shakespeare Company which helped us to understand the complex plot and characters. We then put on a terrific performance for years 4 and 5. We have also learnt how to use algebra in maths and develop our geometry knowledge. A highlight of this term was sharing our learning with our parents in our class assembly.



Burghley News

We have had so much fun this term looking at the Romans and in particular designing and making our own Roman pottery. We have also been looking at the skeletons and conducted our own investigation into how the human skeleton supports movement. The children had some areat ideas when making their predictions and as always approached it with great enthusiasm. We have been learning all about fractions and will continue this in the next term. Burghley also celebrated World Book Day and it was great to see all the children embracing the day and their love of reading. We shared our favourite books over some cake, completed a treasure hunt and children did an amazing job at dressing up as their favourite characters. The class also took part in the mini musical The Three Trees and made us all so proud, they put on a fantastic performance with huge smiles on their faces, well done Burghley! We were all overwhelmed by the generosity shown in response to the appeal for Ukraine and received so many items, the children looked amazing in their blue and yellow. Everyone has worked SO hard this term showing masses of enthusiasm and resilience and they have enjoyed sharing their learning with each other. Thank you for such a fantastic term, enjoy your Easter break!

Tolethorpe News

This half-term has been nothing less than absolutely amazing! We have continued to increase our knowledge and understanding of the rainforest, how animals adapt to their environment! We have been shocked by the devastating effects that Deforestation and Rainforest clearing has upon our planet!

Yet again, I have been blown away by the amount of effort and resilience that has been put into developing our Maths skills especially fractions and decimals!

We have been fully immersed in Katherine Rundell's 'The Explorer', where we have had the chance to develop our reading skills, while enjoying reading about the journey of four young children lost in the Amazon Rainforest!

They out did themselves in their class assembly, doing a short performance of their Recorder skills, singing a song in French and showing off their amazing Art and D&T work, whereby we have been working on designing our own fabric and shoe design which is suitable for using in the vast rainforests, developing new skills and stiches, having to re-evaluate and think on the spot when things don't go to plan!



They made us very proud at the Recorder jamboree representing Ryhall. They showed how amazing they have been practicing their skills with Mrs. Chapman in their music lessons! Well done Year 5!



Fire! Fire!

We have loved learning about the Great Fire of London of 1666. In DT we made hand carts which were the main way of moving things around London at the time. We discovered the cause of the fire; how it spread so quickly; how it was eventually put out and how, afterwards, London was redesigned by Sir Christopher Wren. Looking at original sources such as Samuel Pepys diary and a register of fire places just before the fire, gave us more information from the time. We even learned to recite a poem about the fire that Sue Cowling had written. We enjoyed performing this along with a fire dance that we had learned in our Performing Arts lessons. It was great to share our first Class Assembly with our parents and some of the children in school. We also included a short play about the Good Samaritan and linked it to our theme of Compassion and our pravers for Ukraine.

Belvoir News

Term 4 has all been about being superheroes. We began looking at an old favourite book of ours 'Supertato', just to see how superheroes behave. We designed our own super veggie and thought about how it might feel to be a superhero. We then delved into the book 'George Saves the World by Lunchtime', we learned about the words reuse, recycle, repair and reduce and what they mean and how we can save the world by doing them! We made posters to tell everyone that they can help us to save the world to. The following week we made labels to help us to recycle our rubbish into different materials.

We moved on to another book to help us become even better superheroes saving the world called '10 Things I Can do to Help My World'. This gave us even more things that we can do straight away to save the planet, so we decided to write our own book called 'Things that Belvoir Class Can do to Help Our World'. We also read a book about a real life superhero called David Attenborough who is also trying to get everyone to do things to help save our world.

In RE we have been leading up to the celebration of Easter, we have been doing lots of different activities in the final week of term, which were not only fun but also reminded us of the fact that Jesus died to help show Christians resurrection and new life. Through reading the book 'Good News, It's Easter' we understood, in a simple and understandable way, how Jesus coming back to life gives Christians hope

HAPPY EASTER EVERYONE

Eco Warrior News

The Eco Warriors have had a busy term! They have cleared and collected leaves to make leaf mould, renovated the Wild Garden wood chip paths, topped up our home-made bird feeders, weeded and mulched around the trees in the orchard and weeded the raised flower bed by playschool, before sowing wild flower seeds. We can't wait to see them grow.

Join us on Monday after school if you want to help us. Mrs Want and the Eco Warriors

Our Ukraine Appeal

Last Friday, 25th March was a memorable and important day in our school community as we all showed compassion to the people of Ukraine.

A few weeks ago, four children from Woolsthorpe, wrote to Mrs O' Brien to ask if we could have a "blue and yellow" day to show our support for the people in Ukraine who were suffering. Mrs O'Brien agreed and the date was set. The Woolsthorpe children had also asked everyone to bring in donations of toiletries, nappies and medicines. Each class made something for a display in the hall – from prayers and messages of support, to blue and yellow handprints and sunflowers which are the national flower of Ukraine.

When the day came, everyone arrived looking fabulous, wearing blue and yellow and carrying their donations. We could not believe our eyes when we saw the huge pile of nappies, toothpaste, shower gel and toothbrushes that had been so generously donated by our families. In fact, there were so many things that they completely filled the Volvo which came to collect them. The goods are now their on way to be sorted locally then taken to a Church in Peterborough. From there, they will be taken by lorry to Ukraine and should be being handed to people in need early in April.



Everyone was overwhelmed at the response to the appeal and so on behalf of Mrs O'Brien, Mrs Rogers, our Chair of Governors and all the staff, I would like to say a huge and heartfelt thank you to all our families for their generosity and an even bigger thank you to the children who had the idea for the whole event.

Miss Watson Ethos Lead

Belton News

Monsters in the UK have been the theme for Year 1 explorers this term! We have been investigating the four countries' that make up the UK discovering human and geographical features found in each of these countries along with their flags, national flowers and animals. In English, we have explored a mystical land of 'Where the Wild things Are.' We helped Max write an apology letter to his Mum and wrote some fabulous descriptions about his stay on 'Wild Island'. We used some amazing, adjectives and verbs to describe our adventures.

As scientists, we have explored materials and their properties. Max wrote to us asking for help in which material would be best to design and create and umbrella, towel and curtains to make the wild things more comfortable in their land. We used some super scientific enquiry skills, predicting relating to our aim, designing and carrying out an investigation, recording results and drawing conclusions! So much fun and learning was had we all used super tricky vocabulary: transparent, opaque, absorbent and waterproof!

As historians, we followed a story about a 'Sea monster' found in our local area: The Ichthyosaurs found at Rutland Water. We explored what a fossil was, how it was formed, how big it was and how it was discovered. We then began to wonder about fossils and when they were first discovered. After some research, we found a woman called Mary Anning in 1799 discovered the first ichthyosaur on a beach in the cliff face in the UK. We created our own fossils and chose names for our new fossil discoveries!

We have loved our Monsters in the UK topic this term!





We have joined an amazing scheme with Schoolcycled to recycle plastic bottle lids. Not only will collecting these lids promote recycling and items not going into landfill, but we earn Earthpoints for the lids we send in. With these points, we can order recycled plastic items like garden planters. So not only are we helping the planet but we could help our school too.

Please bring your clean plastic lids into school and encourage your friends and family to save them for us too!

Spotlight Dance

On Thursday 24th and Friday 25th March, a group of 27 children from Year 3, 4 and 5 took part in the annual Spotlight Dance Show at the Stamford Corn Exchange. They performed a piece based on the now infamous dance by Rose and Giovanni in Strictly using the music Symphony. This performance had a section within it that paused the music for 10 seconds to show a glimpse of what it is like to be deaf. The children were just amazing. They performed like just like professionals and would have certainly got a 10 from the audience. The smiles on the faces of each child was just magical. Well done to everyone involved and thank you to Sarah Bell from Rutland for choreographing the dance for us.



The Three Trees

On Tuesday 22nd March, Woolsthorpe Class, along with Burghley Class as a chorus, performed a spectacular production of the mini musical 'The Three Trees'. The story tells the tale of three ordinary trees that become great things in the life of Jesus. The children performed brilliantly and sang their hearts out beautifully. It was so lovely to have a 'live' audience once again which really lifted the children's performances too.

