

Hamdon Hoot

News from Norton



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The Norton Eco-Committee are very happy to announce that we have been awarded the Eco-School Green Flag award. We would like to thank you for all your support in helping us to achieve this fabulous award.

Wildlife Houses

With the money we raised from our Jubilee bake sale, we have managed to invest in many animal friendly supplies. Thank you for baking and buying to make this possible

These are some objects we have bought:

2 hedgehog houses

1 frog/toad house

2 bug hotels (one donated/made by Xavia)

A bird feeder stand and a bird bath

We also found 3 bird houses throughout the school.



By Xavia and Rachael-Mai

Rounders tournament

On Tuesday 22nd of June, 11 year six representatives from Norton-sub-Hamdon primary school took part in a Bucklers Mead rounders tournament.

The team played exceptionally well and won all 3 matches! WOW! Unfortunately, we are not able to participate in the county finals.

We feel we had the best golden triangle, and really good throwing and catching we had a few trips but we got through it. Everyone at the tournament played really well we are proud of everyone; we couldn't have got through it without Mrs Byrne. A huge thank you to our amazing Mrs Byrne!

By Rachael-Mai and Xavia



Bug Hotel Repairs

The Children that do not go to play rounders had a lovely afternoon outside repairing the Bug Hotel and playing parachute games.

On Thursday 30th June, we had some people from a company called the Beat Goes On (a body percussion band) come and teach us some beats we could make using only our body. First of all, we started with a warm up; he did a beat and we had to copy. Next, he asked us to create our own beat for everyone else to copy. Then, after we were warmed up we got into groups of 4 or 5 and made up our own body beat. We then all performed our beat to everyone else. He then showed us what we could do if we practiced lots. The beat he did was epic!

Jasper & Finn



Camp

When we arrived to camp, we settled down into our dorms and headed right into activities. Our first activity was team games, the first game we did was getting into age order on a massive log, and you weren't allowed to touch the ground. The second thing we did was we had to go around a climbing frame with a cup of water (filled up all the way) we had to go around it trying not to spill as much water as possible. Lastly we had to stand on tarp and flip it over with us on it not touching the grass (we did it first try) and that was our team games.



Secondly, we strolled over to our next activity which was Archery. We had an armband for protection on the arm we weren't holding the bow with. After we finished putting on our armband we started to learn how to use a bow. We got straight into a competition. Lots of arrows were used for the competition and it was so fun. Izzy & Brooke



Orienteering

For this activity we got given a map in a group of six or seven people. We had to find all of the key spots on the map. When you get given the map there would also be someone with a piece of paper. The guide would say the numbers you had to find, after you found them you come back to get some other numbers. When you find one of the numbers you stamp it with a claw, every number has a different stamp so you can't cheat.



Water sports

After orienteering we did water sports. You were split up in twos, then the other team would have been split up again, they would be riding and driving the speed boats. With the speed boats you had to first go slow then reverse and after all that training on steering you get to zoom round the lake it was so fun. With the paddle boarding you all had to sit down when you get more further out you can stand up. When you get deep enough where you can't touch the floor and can't see it then you can jump off. When you are in the water you can hang onto the kayak and get dragged everywhere. This is where it got tricky getting on so I just got pulled up. We paddled to the shallow bit and we swam back.

Riley & Cicely



Sports Day

On Thursday 7th July 2022 Norton sub Hamdon primary school had their Key stage 2 sports day. The school is split into four houses named after the hills around Norton and West Chinnock Schools.

There were 5 events: the long jump, the howler throwing, flat race, egg and spoon race and finally the water race. To play the water race you had to have a cup of water filled to the brim and you have to slowly get through some obstacles and then give it to someone else on your team.

Finally, after all of that hard work there had to be one winner. The winner was Pease in second place was Gawlers in third place was Balham and in fourth place was Ham

Afterwards, everyone was greeted with an ice cream and they all went home. Everyone really enjoyed it and had a lot of funm although it was really hot.

Bailey & Addison



Stanchester Induction Day

When we arrived, I felt worried but the Year 7s gave us a nametag and told us where to go. We then sat down and found out I was with Miss Forntonol, the music teacher and Nathaniel was with Miss Flinn, the English teacher.

At lunch, we all sat outside for it and most of us played football but Jayden didn't. During science, we used bunsen burners and made an explosion. Then when we were leaving we lined up against the main gates.

By Jayden and Nathaniel



Stanchester
Academy



Forest School Fun for Year 4
and 6



And finally, we say goodbye to our fabulous Year 6.

We wish them all the best for the future and thank them for all everything they have done through their time at Norton.

