

Hamdon Hoot News from Norton Summer 2024



Our value for this half term is Thankfulness, so I wanted to start this edition with a big thank you to some very special people. We have some fantastic volunteers who come into school regularly, doing a variety of jobs; from running Gardening Club and Chess Club. helping with Forest School, reading, sewing, supporting in class and going on trips. Both the staff and the pupils greatly appreciate the opportunities that they all provide. So, huge thanks go to Keith Brown, Stephanie Bailey, Michelle Wilde, Lindy Menday, Deborah Harris, Johnathan Naughton, Carolyn Webber and not forgetting our dedicated Governors and FONS.

We have been sewing with Lindy all year and our last two projects were samplers and flowers. THANK YOU, LINDY, we have loved learning how to sew!





Willow Class



We visited the Church where Rev Nick helped us light candles in the shape of a cross for Prayer day.



We made sea creatures out of rubbish for our homework challenge along with Birch class to highlight the pollution problem in our seas and oceans.

Willow class have had a busy Summer term!



We went on a trip to Lyme Regis as part of our 'On the Beach' project with Birch and Acorn class from West Chinnock. As well as building and digging in the sand, paddling in the sea and eating an ice cream, we had a talk from a lifeguard about beach/sea safety.



Birch Class



Birch Class had been learning about Lyme Regis in Geography, including researching which was the best ice-cream shop to visit! Whilst in Lyme, they completed some field work, had a safety talk from the Lifeguard and enjoyed a picnic on the beach and, of course, an ice-cream.

On return to school, they wrote some fabulous shape poems about their visit.

Here is Alisa's wonderful shell poem about Lyme Regis.





Hazel Class



Trip To The Newt

Hazel Class went to The Newt, in the summer term. We had been learning about the Romans in humanities, history, so we went to The Newt's Roman Villa.

In The Roman Villa, we went to the kitchen and saw lots of dead, stuffed animals. There were jars, and a larder. At the back in the larder was the food that had to stay cold. I thought it was so cool and fun!

Next, we went to the baths the Romans bathed in. First, we went to the hot room (it was hot). Next, we went to the cold room where they cooled off. After that, we went to another hot room but with a HOT TUB IN IT! When we got to the last room, we saw paintings on the wall this was the room they played games in with balls.

We went to the main game room after, that's where we did boardgames, weaving and poetry.

Unexpectedly, we enjoyed JUICE AND ROMAN BISCUITS!

Miriam & Beatrice



Rowan Class



KS2 Play

Our play is called Mission Implausible. It is full of spies trying to stop a mad scientist called Dr Yes, he is trying to take over the world and bring back plastic. The agents are called: James Smythe (Daniel), Simone Templar (Jess), Joanna Steed (Elina), Vincent Woods (Theo) and Y (Ted). The PM is played by Lleyton. Dr Yes gives the prime minister a badge that holds a chip that makes the person do whatever they type on their tablet but luckily some of the agents come and rescue the day.

Daniel & Thomas



School residential

Every year, year six and five go on residential at Charterhouse, where we sleep in dorms, eat lovely food, and take part in exciting activities. The year sixes get their leavers hoodies, sit round a fire, and eat marshmallows. This year we went abseiling, climbing, rocket building, archery and hiking.

Jasper & Archie

Bikeability

Firstly, we learned how to do bike checks, to make sure our bike was safe to use; this was all new to us. On the playground we learned how to control our bikes and do different manoeuvres, like U-turns. We then went out on the roads to put our skills into practice. We enjoyed it a lot and as a result we have been cycling a lot more.

Leo & Thomas



Year 6

Wells Visit

On the 20th June 2024, year sixes from all over Somerset took a visit to Wells Cathedral. The year sixes got there at around 10.30am and left around 1.00pm whilst we were there had an amazing time and got to keep a bible at the end because they were moving up to secondary school. We had an amazing time and after the service they went for a walk to see how beautiful it was.

Charlie, Elissa & Zac



Bingo

The bingo night was hosted by all the Year 6s on the 12th July 2024 for our Enterprise Project.

We all had loads of fun and had lots of lucky winners at the end of it all and raised over £300 for a special trip to bowling for our year 6. We will also give most of the leftover money to the school for the rest of the school to enjoy. Thank you to everyone who came along.

Charlie & Jess



Bowling

We used the money we raised from our Enterprise Project to go Bowling on Tuesday 23rd July. It was amazing! Theo was the overall winner, but we all played well—Jess scored a strike! Lunch was delicious too.

We had a great time.

Year 6



Sports Captains

Over the year, the sports captains have helped the teachers to get equipment for their PE lessons. This term, we have started to run Lunchtime Sports Clubs: dodgeball, football, football rounders, running games and cricket. We have had lots of pupils join in with these.

During Sports Day, we helped to set up, lead our house teams and help the day to run smoothly. We had a great day; everyone enjoyed it.

Charlie



Eco-committee

This year, the eco-committee has organised 3 litter picks, one per term. We did a battery collection program, involving the whole school. We created a rota to make sure that the food waste bin went out at break time and this in turn was given to the worms and the bird feeders and bird bath have been topped up. All of these are important because they help the environment in our local community. Next year, we are looking to complete the Cutting our Carbon survey, which will give us a Carbon Action Plan, which all schools have been targeted to complete by the end of 2025.

Bertie & Paige

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Moving Up

On the transition day, we moved up a year for the day to have a feel of what our next year would be like. Some people went to a secondary school for the day and had lots of fun there.

Year fives went up a year and felt like a year six. They played a game called figure me out and three truths and one lie. They thought it was fun to be a year six for the day.

The year sixes went to a secondary school to have a feel of what being a year seven was like. Some of the subjects they did were science, English, and music they had a brilliant time and are looking forward to being year sevens.

Elissa & Ruby



Goodbye and Good Luck to our Year 6s as they move onto the next step in their education.