



# Kirby Muxloe Primary School

**Be Respectful.  
Be Independent.  
Be Thoughtful and Caring.**

## General Message from Mr Howles

Dear Parents and Carers,

Following our return from the Easter break, I am delighted to share this newsletter with you. It showcases a wide variety of activities and experiences that the children have accessed in the 4 weeks we had.

It was great to see our wonderful Year 3s shine in 'Rock Bottom' and all of our children engage with Matilda Week. This enabled them to engage with a great story and build their confidence in drama, dance and singing. It was a joy to see and we had great feedback from all at Silhouette Theatre.

I hope that your children have started back well and have shaken off their sleepiness that we saw on Monday!

Best wishes

Elliot Howles - Headteacher

## SAFEGUARDING

At Kirby Muxloe, we know it is of the utmost importance to have robust systems for protecting children and safeguarding their welfare. If you have a concern, please speak to Miss Jackson, the Senior designated teacher or you are welcome to talk to any member of staff and we will treat your concerns seriously within our safeguarding policies and procedures.

### USEFUL CONTACT DETAILS:

NSPCC: 0808 800 5000

Childline: 01455 636964

Social Service (Hinckley): 01455 636964

Social Service (Leicester): 0116 3050005

Non-emergency number for the Police: 0116 222 2222

## OPERATION ENCOMPASS

Our school is part of Operation Encompass which is a national scheme that operates jointly between schools and police forces. Operation Encompass is the reporting to schools, prior to the start of the next school day, when a child or young person has experienced domestic abuse.

As a school we have ensured that our Designated Safeguarding Lead, Sharon Jackson, known as a Key Adult, has been trained in the Operation Encompass procedures allowing us to then use the information that has been shared, in confidence, to support the child/ren in our care.

The Domestic Abuse Act 2021 identifies children who experience domestic abuse as victims of domestic abuse in their own right.

We are keen to offer the best support possible to all our pupils and we believe this will be extremely beneficial for all those involved.



## Learning Journeys This Half Term



In their latest learning journey, Animal Crackers, Reception have been learning all about weird and wonderful creatures and their habitats! Based on the story 'You're Called What?', they have discovered blob fish and tasseled wobbegongs as well as learnt facts about pink fairy armadillos and snot flower worms! They then had the opportunity to create their own creature and the place it would live. Reception have also planted seeds, been on scavenger hunts and impressing the adults with their growing writing skills!



Year two have been finding out about Josephine Baker and discussing the history of segregation. We've also painted in the style of Alma Thomas ( a black American artist). and various other artists representing equality and togetherness. In literacy we have been writing a fascinating fact file about different animals. A fantastic half term in year two!



In Year 4 this half term, we have been looking at the life of Harold Goodwinson. We have looked at the Battle of Hastings and the Bayeux tapestry. We have been writing persuasive letters in literacy.



It's certainly all systems go in year six this half term... whilst we begin to start more formal revision, we also hold onto some really exciting elements of our curriculum. The 'Ways of the Wolf' continues to be our focus for Literacy. The children have created a brilliant balanced argument exploring the pros and cons of reintroducing wolves in the UK. The children produced some beautiful pieces of art work based on the 'Ways of the Wolf'. We explored different patterns, colours and textures in our sketchbooks before creating and building our final piece. Our new learning journey, The Apprentice, tests the children's ability to complete tasks whilst working as a team, negotiating and problem solving. We have been really impressed by the levels of creativity and natural leadership. Finally, as we edge towards SATs the children have started to use some of the CGP revision material to aid their revision. We are always extremely proud of the extra work that goes into this time of year and know their results will truly reflect this.

Keep being amazing!



In Year One this half term, we have been learning all about Royal Patrons! We looked at key English monarchs like Queen Victoria and Queen Elizabeth. We investigated the key events in their reign. We also discussed how they reigned and if we thought it would be a difficult job to do.



Year 3 have spent any free moment they have had this half term rehearsing and practising for their show. They produced beautiful posters to promote the show. They've all worked really hard.



Year Five have been learning all about the Titanic. We have created the most amazing waterfall style fact files full of information based on this incredible ocean liner. We have created a timeline of its sinking, looked into conspiracy theories surrounding the events and found out about significant passengers and crew members.

## Year 3 Show - Rock Bottom

Year 3 have worked incredibly hard this half term, continuing their rehearsals for their show Rock Bottom. The children blew us all away. After weeks of rehearsing, they had four performances altogether - Friday 8th March and Monday 11th March to the school, Tuesday 12th and Wednesday 13th of March to parents, carers and families.

The sheer level of effort put into the show by the children was palpable - they truly amazed us. Seeing their confidence grow from the start of rehearsals to when they performed was an honour. The humour and comedic timing was brilliant & the songs will be stuck in our heads for years to come! Thank you to all of the people - both in school and at home - who helped the children learn lines, learn songs and provide costume. Without you, we wouldn't have been able to put on such a good show.



A huge 'Well Done' to Cody, Heidi and Isioma who raised a wonderful £133.73 for LOROS. The children worked hard to plan their event - including the preordering of tie dye tops! Really



proud of you all ❤️



## RED NOSE DAY

What a great day we had for Red Nose Day (albeit two days early). We raised a brilliant amount for the charity and had great fun in the process. It was lovely to see so many people dressed in red and donning their wonderful red noses. We also loved the creativity the children demonstrated with their deely bopper designs. Thank you again for all your support.

## World Book Day - Spud Stories



**RC - SHAKAYA -  
DINOSAUR DINOSAUR,  
SAY GOODNIGHT**



**RHB - DEVON - SNAIL &  
THE WHALE**



**1H - RAIFE'S - EVIL  
PEA FROM SUPERTATO**



**1J - SIMRAN -  
SUPERTATO**



**2C - HUGO - FANTASTIC BEASTS  
AND WHERE TO FIND THEM**



**2KJ - EDITH - FINDING  
NEMO**



**3C - AMELIE - HARRY  
POTTER**



**3CP - MILLIE - LITTLE  
MISS PRINCESS**



**4R - LEWIS -  
HARRY POTTER**

## World Book Day - Spud Stories



4CF - NICO - HOORAY  
FOR FISH



5F - HARPER -  
MINIONS



5MM - EBEN - WILLY  
WONKA



6H - OSCAR - MARCUS  
RASHFORD



6ON - DAVID -  
ALBERT EINSTEIN

## Whole School Church Trip

On the 14th and 15th March, each year group visited St Bartholomews Church to take part in an interactive learning experience called 'Easter Unwrapped'. We visited several different places within the church and its grounds to learn all about the Easter Story, the significant people involved and the importance of this special time for Christians. It was closely linked to our current RE curriculum and the children were able to ask some really brilliant questions to extend the learning we have done in school. We want to say a massive thank you to everyone at the church for all their hard work and the time they took to provide us with such a great experience!

## JUNIOR LEADER BAKE SALE

What a wonderfully successful JLT sale! A huge congratulations to our Junior Leaders (and their wonderful families) for creating such wonderful products to sell as part of their fund raiser. The Junior Leaders have been thinking a lot about business and were keen to raise some money of their own. What an incredible bunch of leaders we have! They raised an incredible £272.45 which they will put towards their end of year reward. I am so proud of all of the children. Thank you to everyone who supported their event.

Mrs Orton

## Matilda Week

On the week beginning 18th March, KMPS were fortunate enough to welcome in Silhouette Youth Theatre into school for Matilda week. The children learned songs & performed a dance with some groups even writing and recording their own songs. Here are some pictures from the week:



## **British Science Week**

This year's theme for British Science Week is time. The children were set a challenge on Seesaw where they had to conduct some form of scientific experiment or investigation linked to time.



For more information of experiments you could conduct at home, visit <https://www.britishscienceweek.org/app/uploads/2024/02/British-Science-Week-2024-Primary-pack.pdf>

## **Year 3 Trip - Birmingham Thinktank**

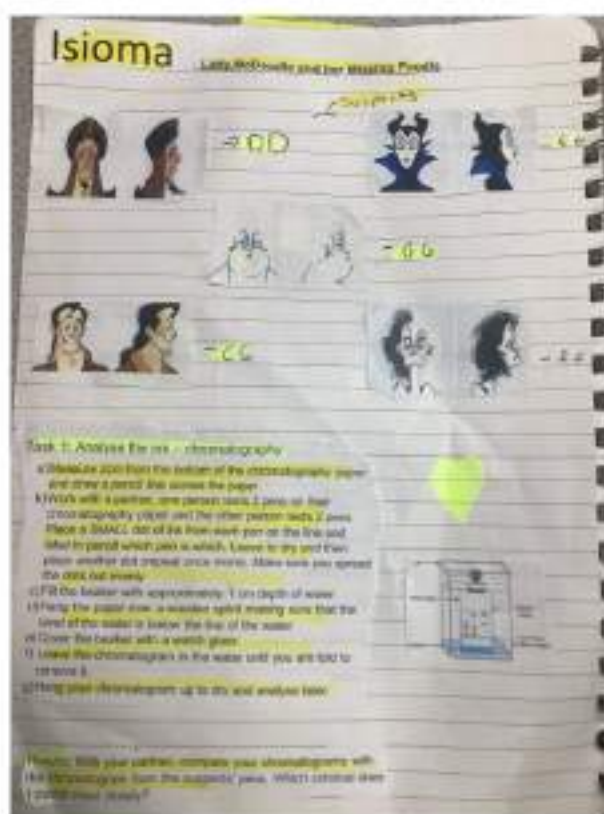
Year 3 started the half term with a visit to the Birmingham Thinktank on the 27th February. The children were able to explore rocks and minerals, classifying them between whether they think items were rocks. They then used classification keys to identify different minerals. Alongside this, they were also able to explore the museum freely, looking into the history of travel with trains, cars and bikes from history and different animals. The children were a credit to the school and behaved well. Their passion was palpable and their excitement was great to see. We all had an

excellent day 🌟



## Saturday 24th February 2024 - Our Loughborough Grammar School

Loughborough grammar school is a place where science meets joy and knowledge. You learn many things, ranging from chemistry to even biology! Loughborough grammar school is the best place to go if you want to learn something new and you can always start easy if you want! Read on to find out more about this school.



All of us would like to thank all of the staff at Loughborough Grammar School fortunate enough to the time that they gave up to give us the opportunity to have such a memorable day. You are so kind and thoughtful; thank you again for the sacrifice that you made - especially as this was in half term. Not only did staff joined us but the pupils did as well!

Once again Thank you!