



High Ash CE School
★ Weekly Newsletter / Blog ★
Friday 17th March 2023
'Let your light shine' Matthew 5:16



Grow Together Shine Forever

To all our families,

Comic Relief...

The children enjoyed wearing their red noses today! We raised £108.62 for Comic Relief - thank you for all your donations.





Foundation and Key Stage 1 Special Ladies Assembly...

It was lovely to see the children pay tribute to all of the special ladies in assembly this afternoon. We really enjoyed seeing their portraits, hearing their poems and beautiful songs-especially 'Mama' which everyone loved. They did really well and made us all feel so proud. Well done Acorns and Key Stage 1!

Learning highlights this week...

There has been super learning in class, here are some of the highlights.

Acorns -

Acorns have continued to grow our knowledge of dinosaurs this week by looking at fossils and bones in our dinosaur museum, digging them up and trying to sort them. We have also used our book 'What Dinosaur Am I?' that we looked at last week to begin writing our own fact riddles about a dinosaur we have chosen. We have looked carefully at our dinosaurs and what we notice about them and using our phonics knowledge to write simple phrases or sentences about them. In maths, we have started our work on measuring length! We have measured using different objects from the classroom such as bears, cubes and even used ribbon. We have rolled out playdough to make different lengths and compared which are longer and which are shorter. We hope you have been enjoying seeing our portfolio posts showing your children's learning on ClassDojo. If you are not linked up, we are sending invites out to you so please join online.



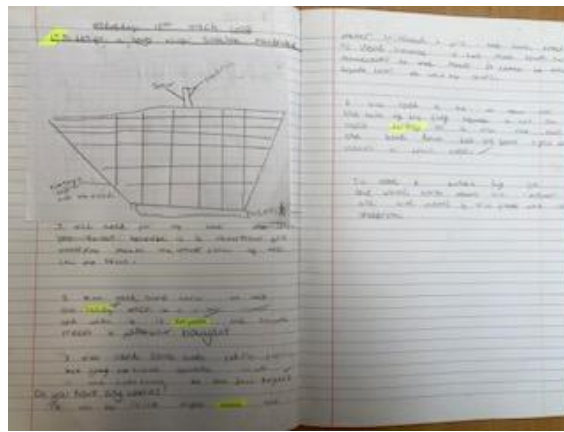
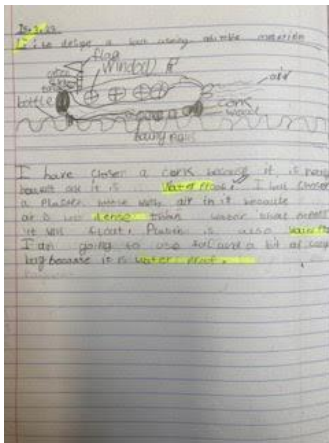
Mrs Bird and Mrs Webb
Year One and Two-

This week we have been busy using all our science knowledge to design our own boat. We used our knowledge on density, buoyancy and whether a material is waterproof to explain why we would use certain materials when building our boat. We will be building them and testing to see whether they float next week. **Please save any plastic bottles, yoghurt pots, milk bottles or ice cream tubs and send in with your child on Wednesday next week. Thank you!**

In Geography we revised the 4 compass points and solved riddles about the continents and oceans. The children also enjoyed recording their final performances of their sea shanties and did a fantastic job!

Chestnut had a great time making pirate grog, parrots and pirates on their two days in school and were so excited to be able to use the equipment in the hall to go on a pirate adventure!

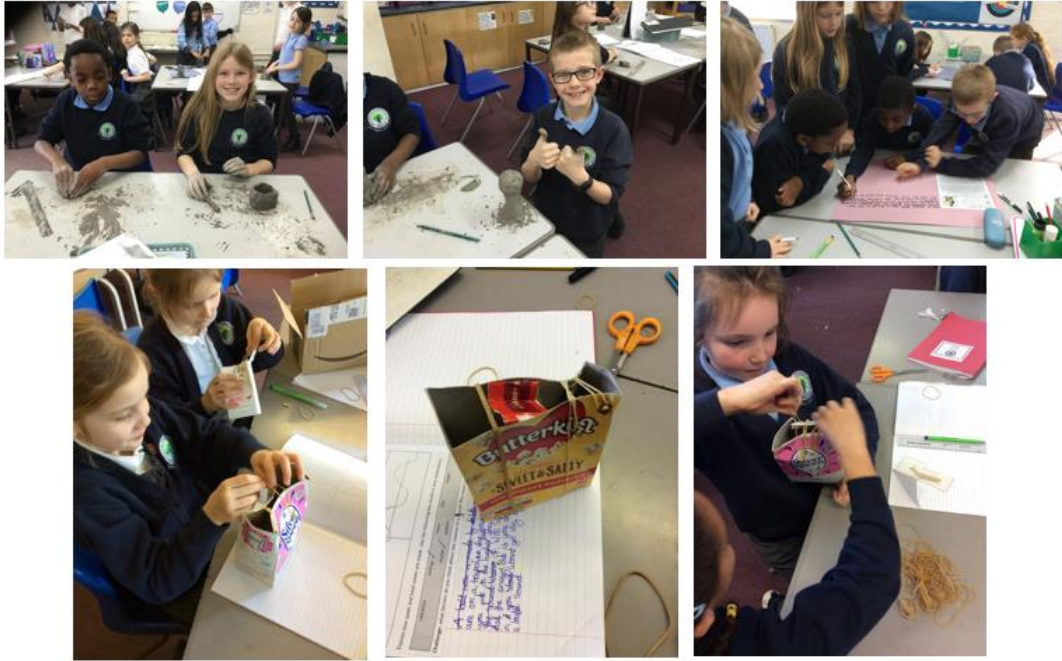
Mrs Wadeson



Year Three and Four-

This week, we have enjoyed learning about the Greek Gods and Goddesses by designing an informative poster explaining their powers, what they were known for and the influence they had on Ancient Greece. As well as this, they brought their Greek clay pot designs to life by moulding clay into the shape they had chosen and adding features on their design. Once these are dried, they will begin to paint and decorate them. Finally, during our Science this week, we continued our learning in sound, this week focusing on pitch and frequency. We created our own boxes with elastic bands to investigate how pitch and frequency can be changed when plucking them when the band was tight and loose.

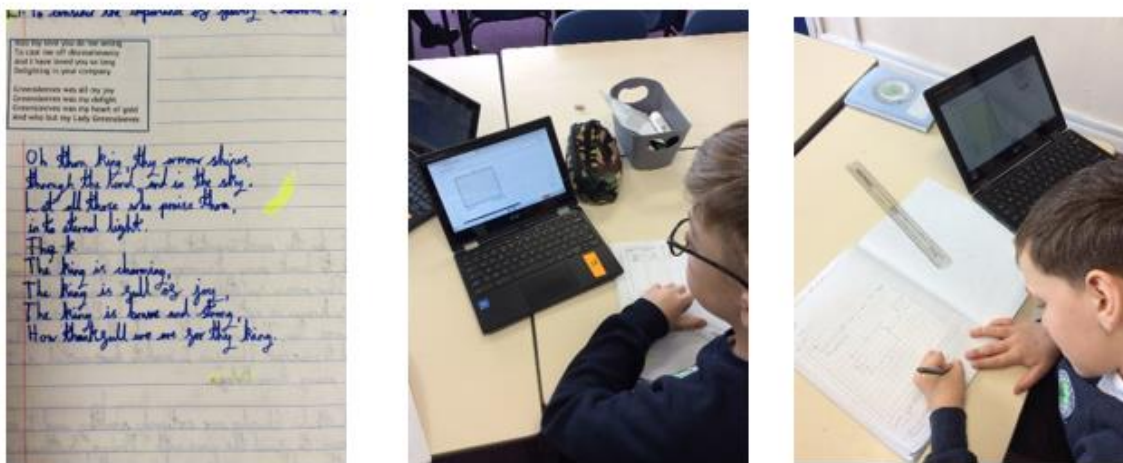
Miss Raval



Year Five and Six-

This week in our history lessons, we have been studying the impact of the reformation on Tudor England, from the perspective of Henry VIII. We have been practicing courtly Tudor language to flatter King Henry VIII and have written a further verse of Greensleeves for him - here are examples from Imogen, Alby and Amelie H. In English, we have completed our persuasive letters, using persuasive techniques and trying our best to use a variety of punctuation. In maths, Year 5 have been studying perimeter and area, using the chromebooks. Mrs Gray's Year 6 maths class have been using the Chromebooks to learn about algebra, focusing on expressions and equation. We have also been using chromebooks in our geography lessons, plotting the route of Henry VIII on his Royal Progress in 1541. We have worked very hard in our art lessons to create a Tudor aristocrat using the skills we have been practicing and we are very proud of our results!

Mrs Gray and Miss Whitehead



Reflections this week...

This week our big question has been: What could you do to change your community to make it a better place? We have been busy creating coffee table books for the Residents at The Lindens Residential Care Home. We hope to bring smiles to the faces of the Residents by entertaining them with jokes, poems, drawings and much more. We will be delivering the books next week.

A big hello from HASA...

That ever so delicious chocolatey season is fast approaching, so of course HASA are planning to run some Easter based activities. As you will have seen, we are again running a virtual Easter balloon race starting at midday on Friday 31st March and ending at midday on Fri 7th April. This is a fun event, open to all, so why not buy a few balloons for £3 each and challenge family and friends to an eco-friendly race. Prizes to be won for the first 3 balloons to cross the finish line!



Simply visit <https://www.balloonrace.net/HASA> or scan the QR code...

HASA will be celebrating the start of the holidays by holding an Easter Quiz hunt on the field & playground on Thursday 30th March straight after school. Answer 10 easy questions to prove you are an Easter expert and win a delicious Easter egg. Parents are required to accompany their child please.

To participate, places must be paid in advance via ParentPay with each place costing £2.50. Payment deadline will be Friday 24th March. There are a limited number of places available, so please do not delay!

We look forward to offering these fun events and please keep your eyes peeled for lots more fabulous events in the Summer term.

We wish to extend a big THANK YOU to Scott White who is kindly donating the funds for the eggs.

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Mothing Sunday Family Church Service....

Mothing Sunday Family Service, 11am 19th March 2023 at St Luke's Church.

An opportunity to visit your local 'Mother Church' and to show your love and appreciation for mothers all over the world. *(Treats for all mums!) Everyone is welcome!*

Finally, our Roving Reporters Lottie and Eliza!

This week in Roving Reporter we have asked pupils about what they like to cook when it is their turn to cook in Golden Time. Starting off in Year One/Two as always, Sofia loves making cupcakes with the LSA's, Arlo thinks that brownies are the best thing to bake, Hendrix likes to make biscuits and finally Josephine loves to make marshmallow rice crispy cake because it is a sweet treat and it is fun to make. Jumping over to Year Three/Four, Oscar has been a bit more adventurous and chosen couscous as the things he most likes to cook. Moving to Year Five/Six, Veronika enjoys making brownies, Xanthe loves making chocolate cookies because they are simple but delicious and Luca BB's favourite dish is lemon drizzle cake because of its simplicity. Finally, this week we have a special guest... Mrs Stanley - she likes making Easter shortbread with the students and hopes that the children enjoy the cooking like she does!

Here are some diary dates to look forward to as well....

Thursday 23rd March - Year 6 Easter Cracked - Please click on this link to submit your google form:

<https://forms.gle/Awss4kRJRuFbpfjD7>

Friday 24th March - Y3/4 Cake Bake Sale with HASA

Friday 24th March - KS2 Star Assembly - Please click on this link to book your seat:

<https://highash.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Have a super weekend and I hope all the Mums have a great weekend too!

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