Heckington St Andrew's Church of England Primary School Newsletter



2nd March 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

It has been lovely to see all of the creations for World Book Day; we have been amazed at the imagination and creativity that has been on display! Well done to everyone for making World Book Day a special day. Our World Book Day focus has been around the book Barbara Throws a Wobbler and all of the children have taken part in a range of activities around emotions and relationships linking to our PSHE curriculum.

The Year 6s are getting very excited for their upcoming residential visit to Hilltop next week. Miss Coogan, Miss Finney and I will be accompanying them and I am sure that we will all have a wonderful time.

Finally, we are incredibly grateful to Mr and Mrs Jeffery and their friend (affectionately known as "Nanna" "Grandpar" and "Mr Pat") for their kindness and generosity in giving our benches a new lease of life. As you will see from the pictures, they look amazing, and I am sure that all of the children will enjoy sitting on them in the warmer months for many more years to come.

Yours sincerely, Mrs J Bentley Head Teacher



Diary dates

06.03.23 - 10.03.23 Hilltop Residential Trip Year 6

07.03.23 - PTFA meeting in school time 9:00am

13.03.23 - 17.03.23 PTFA Mother's Day pop up shop - details to follow tomorrow

22.03.23 - Science and RE exhibition 3:30-4:00pm in school, all invited.

26.03.23 - School grounds gardening session 10:00-14:00 - Volunteers very welcome

30.03.23 - PTFA Easter Disco—further details to follow

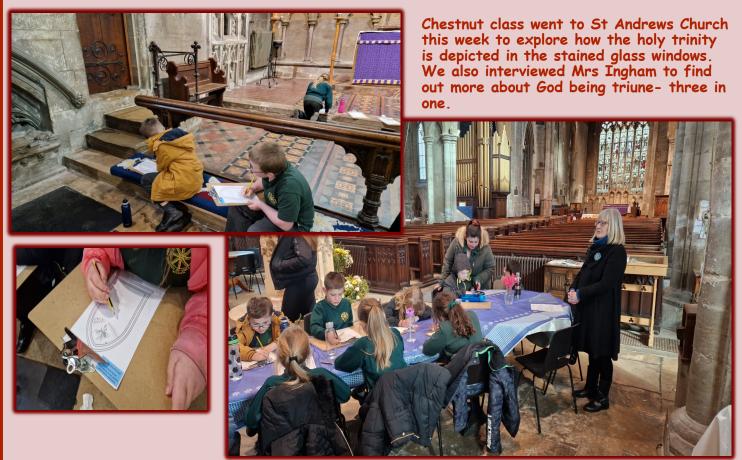
31.03.23 - Year 3/4/5 Easter Service at Church 9:30am

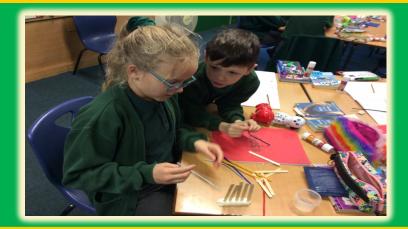
31.03.23 - Last day of term





Chestnut class enjoyed a live zoom with author Lisa Thompson. She told us about the inspiration behind her book "Rollercoaster Boy" and gave us a preview of her upcoming book. We also joined her in an escape room task which then inspired us to create our own escape room activity for world book day!





Rowan class have been making wattle and daub frames to investigate Anglo Saxon homes.





Omegle Parent Guide

Omegle is a website offering a free video chat service which will connect you to a random stranger who you can interact with through text chat and webcam. There is no Omegle app currently available to download.

No account or username is required to use the service and users are anonymous unless they choose to tell other users about themselves.

Users should be 18+ or over 13 years with parental permission.

The main page of the site has a direct link to an adult site which streams adult sexual content.

There are no parental controls or privacy tools available at all through Omegle other than the ability to stop a chat and move to another user.



Talk to strangers!

By using Omegle, you accept the terms at the bottom. You must be 18+, or 13+ with parental permission.

Mobile video chat is an experimental new feature. Video is monitored, so keep it clean!

Go to an adult site instead if that's what you want.

Start a chat

Video

Meet strangers with your interests!

Add your interests (optional)

College student chat

Omegle (oh·meg·ull) is a great way to meet new friends, even while practicing social distancing. When you use Omegle, we pick someone else at random and let you talk one-on-one. To help you stay safe, chats are anonymous unless you tell someone who you are (not suggested!), and you can stop a chat at any time. Predators have been known to use Omegle, so please be careful.

www.omegle.com says

Because this section is not moderated, you are more likely to encounter sexual behavior. As with the rest of Omegle, users in this section are solely responsible for their own behavior.

IF YOU ARE UNDER 18, or you would prefer not to use this section, press CANCEL. By pressing OK, you affirm that you are at least 18 years old.

Cancel OK

There are both moderated and un-moderated video chat features.

The un-moderated chat carrying an 18+ age requirement and a warning that there is a high likelihood of viewing sexual content and coming into contact with potentially predatory individuals.

You can restrict access to this site by using parental controls on devices or home broadband. Visit Internet Matters to learn more.

internet matters.org





Omegle Parent Guide

Many children and young people have used this site to seek new friendships given the isolation they may have experienced during the pandemic. While some individuals will use this site appropriately, there have been many reports of highly inappropriate behaviour by users towards under 18's and children in primary schools accessing this service.

Omegle will connect children with strangers of any age, with no controls at all, putting them at risk of exploitation. We would highly recommend prohibiting access to the platform for all children under 18.

Use parental controls to restrict access

Keep an eye on apps or sites they use

Keep technology in family friendly areas

Encourage them to talk about their online experiences without fear of being banned

If you have concerns about your immediate safety or that of a friend, you can call Lincolnshire Police on 101 or, in an emergency, dial 999

If you feel a child may be a victim of abuse or have concerns over their safety or well -being, you can call the Customer Service Centre on 01522 782111 (Monday to Friday, 8am to 6pm) or 01522 782333 (outside office hours)



For children aged 7-11 (KS 2)

Come and join us at Heckington Windmill

Book Online

£5 per session

Sundays 10am-11.30am



The monthly children's activity group down at the Mill

Sunday 19 February

History quiz and baking Scones

Sunday 26 March

Discovering wheat grain & making Muffins

Sunday 23 April

All about cogs and making Jam Tarts

Sunday 21 May

The windmill speed governor and bake a pizza

Sunday 25 June

All about wind and baking Cookies

Sunday 16 July

Bolting (sieving bran from flour) and making bread







Book online & more information at www.heckingtonwindmill.org.uk



BEFORE





The Quiet Area

Y5/6 Area



"It looks so sad out here. It would be so nice to learn and read and listen to the birds singing here." Year 1 pupil.

"I would love to look out of my classroom at a beautiful space rather than the weeds." Year 6 pupil.

VISION

- Usable outdoor space for Y5/6 to work and read outdoors.
- A quiet space to be used at lunch time.
- A safe and engaging environment for all children to enjoy nature.

ARE YOU ABLE TO VOLUNTEERS

On <u>Sunday the 26th of March (10am - 2pm)</u>, we are getting a team together to gut and repurpose the school grounds. If you are into gardening and willing to volunteer some of your time, we would be very grateful! Tea, coffee and snacks will be provided. Please email enquiries@heckington.lincs.sch.uk to let us know if you are able to join us.

DONATIONS

If you have a talent for woodwork and are looking for your next project (bird feeders, benches, picnic tables, and bug hotels) please get in touch as we would be very appreciative of these items and your time!

We do have a number of items, such as border roll, weed matting and bark that we have created an amazon wish list for. If you wish to, and are able to donate, please follow the link. Thank you!!

https://amzn.eu/ahhHnse